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LABOUR CABINET IN ACTION

MINES SECRETARY

MR. BEN TURNER NOT FORGOTTEN

TALK FOR "TALKIES"

London, Yesterday.
A theatrical prelude to the new Government's first Cabinet to-day was the filming of the Ministers for a "talkie" in the garden of No. 10, Downing Street, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald acting as introducer, and presenting each to the microphone, with appropriate remarks.

He began by saying:
"May I introduce you to the members of the Cabinet, who have been chosen for their very hard work, and because, I believe, the nation fully believes they are perfectly competent to perform it."

Mr. Ben Turner has been appointed Secretary of State for Mines.

[Mr. Ben Turner, who was awarded the O.B.E. in 1917, is also a J.P. and an Alderman. He is Labour M.P. for Batley and Morley. He has been a member of the Labour Party for 18 years, and is well known as a speaker on labour questions. In 1910 he was a delegate of the Trades Congress to America and in 1911 he was Chairman of the Labour Party.]

Election Results

In connection with the General Election, the combined Scottish Universities have returned two conservatives and one Liberal.

The polling resulted:—

London, Yesterday.

Mr. John Buchan, Conservative, 9,950
Sir George Berry, Conservative, 9,262
Mr. D. M. Cowan, Liberal, 6,663
Dr. J. Kerr (Independent), 2,867
[In 1924 Mr. Cowan and Sir G. Berry were elected. Mr. John Buchan being returned at a by-election on April 30, 1927.]

State of Parties—

Labour 288*
Conservatives 259
Liberals 58
Independents 9

Total 614

* Including Mr. Jowitt who was elected as a Liberal and has since gone over to Labour.

Result still to come . 1

Net Gains

Labour 122
Liberal 14
Independent 2

Net Losses

Conservatives 138
Eight Hours' Convention

According to the "Daily Herald," the Government intends to proceed forthwith towards the ratification of the Washington Eight Hours' Convention, providing for the legal limitation of the normal working hours in industrial undertakings to eight hours daily and 48 hours weekly.

The Convention was signed at Washington in 1919 but, so far, had not been ratified by Great Britain.—Reuter.

Washington and Premier's Visit
Washington, Yesterday.
While high officials here are very interested in the reports as to Mr. MacDonald's desire personally to confer with President Hoover, which reached White House last week, it is pointed out at the White House that no official word has yet been received, and until that is forthcoming White House officials prefer to remain silent.

Mr. H. L. Stimson (Secretary of State) also declines to discuss the subject.

In spite of official silence, however, observers at Washington are strongly of opinion that the Administration would welcome such a meeting which, it is believed, would bear good fruit, particularly as far as disarmament questions are concerned.—Reuter's American Service.

HIS MAJESTY

ABLE AGAIN TO BE OUT OF DOORS

WALKS IN THE GROUNDS

London, Yesterday.

A bulletin issued to-day states that the King is making progress. The abscess is diminishing in size, and his general health is good.

In the Fresh Air

Later.
The King was out for the first time since his second illness developed. The doctors decided that in view of the progress made and the excellent weather the king should benefit by the fresh air. Accordingly His Majesty spent half-an-hour in the grounds of Windsor Castle.—Reuter.

COURT MARTIAL

EXTRA DUTY PERFORMED WITHOUT PAYMENT

A CORPORAL'S SILENCE

The trial by a General Court Martial of Major G. M. H. Ogilvy, of the 2nd Bn. King's Own Scottish Borderers, in the Officers' Mess at Murray Barracks, was carried one stage further this morning.

Private James Ferguson, called by the prosecution, said that from July to November, 1928, he performed extra duties as battalion boatman. For that he was to receive \$5 extra a month, but he was not paid regularly. The first payment he received was in September, although he had asked Cpl. Hendry (who was one time clerk to the P.R.I., and who is now doing a sentence of 80 days for embezzlement of money belonging to the Regimental Institute) almost every day for it. He had been put off each time he asked for payment, Col. Hendry making excuses and saying that the cheque had not been signed and that the money had not come in from the Librarian room.

When he received the first payment in September there were two months' pay due him. Later in the same month, he received another payment of \$5. He had given a receipt for only one payment. In October, he received another payment of \$3 and a similar sum in November.

The balance due him was eventually paid on May 17, this year when he received \$4 from a sergeant.

Witness had not mentioned this matter to Major Ogilvy because he could not get a non-commissioned officer to take him before the accused.

The Judge Advocate: Why did you not get an N.C.O. then?—I did tell Cpl. Hendry that I would see Major Ogilvy myself, but I had never done so, because I had always thought that I would get paid inside another two days.

Witness added that he had spoken to Capt. Reid, the officer in charge of the boats, about it. In May this year, he was told by Major Ogilvy to report to the P.R.I. He did so and received the \$4 from Major Lake.

Waiting a "Habit"

Cross-examined by Major Miles, "friend" of the accused, witness said that that was the first time he had been acting as boatman. He was selected for the post by a non-commissioned officer. He was told by the man whom he relieved that he would get \$5 a month for the job. His name had never appeared in Regimental Orders. He was told by the man from whom he took over the duties that if he wanted any cleaning kit or money, he would have to get them from the P.R.I. office.

After four months, he remembered making a report to Capt. Reid. The reason why he did not do so earlier was because that every time he went to the P.R.I. office, he saw other men there waiting to get their pay for extra duties performed. He thought that he would have to wait the same as the rest of them. He had not mentioned the matter to his company's officer, or warrant or non-commissioned officers.

A Billiard Marker

Cpl. E. T. Oxenham said that from August 29, 1927 until March 4, 1928, he was billiard marker in the Men's Recreation room at Murray Barracks. He thought that he was to get paid for the work, but he could not say that he was sure about it. However, he had never received any payment. He was detailed to do the work by the Regimental Sergeant Major. A month after he took over the duty, he asked L/Cpl. Greave—his predecessor—as to payment, and was informed that he was entitled to \$5 a month.

Cross-examined by Major Miles, witness said that he had not at any time told any officer that he had not been paid.

Major Miles: Did you tell any warrant or non-commissioned officer?—I told Cpl. Hendry.

Major Miles: Can you remember what Cpl. Hendry said to you then?—He said that the Major had not signed the cheques.

Witness added that he had asked Cpl. Hendry twice during the seven months.

Major Miles: Why did you not ask Major Ogilvy?—I did not want to make a fuss about it.

Get Him Into Trouble

Witness in reply to another question said that he also did not wish to get Cpl. Hendry into trouble.

Major Miles: What made you

VAN LEAR BLACK'S GIANT "FOKKER"

IN A CRASH

MACHINE WRECKED AT CALCUTTA

TOUR ABANDONED

Calcutta, Yesterday.
While landing at Dum Dum Aerodrome, Mr. Van Lear Black's giant "Fokker" crashed and was wrecked. The five occupants were not injured but the remainder of the flight has been abandoned.—Reuter.

[Mr. Van Lear Black, the American millionaire flyer was en route to the Far East from London. He left Croydon early this month.]

LEAGUE OF NATIONS

SIR AUSTEN CHAMBERLAIN & HIS COLLEAGUES

FAREWELL MESSAGES

London, Yesterday.
Immediately after his resignation of the office of Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, Sir Austen Chamberlain, telegraphed as follows to the Council of the League of Nations now in session at Madrid:

"I deeply regret that it is impossible for me to attend the present session of the Council to complete the part of our work and to bid farewell to my colleagues and friends. I shall never forget the memory of the friendships which I have formed and shall always regard it as a privilege to have been permitted to assist the Council in such work. To all nations I express my lasting gratification for their unflinching and invaluable help."

The following reply to this message was telegraphed to Sir A. Chamberlain:—This mark of friendship which you have so kindly and thoughtfully sent has profoundly touched us. It has confirmed our assurance of the personal bonds formed after a long association. All my colleagues charge me to express to you their grateful memory of our work for the common good."

[The above message are sent by the British Wireless Service. They are imperfect owing to "atmospheric interference."]

REPARATIONS

"KEENEST SATISFACTION" FELT IN WASHINGTON

U.S. WAR DEBTS' POLICY

Washington, Yesterday.
The virtual settlement of the Reparations' problem, has occasioned the keenest satisfaction in America, and President Hoover declared to believe that the adoption of the report will mark a great step forward in the situation in Europe. Officials of the State Department generally are of opinion that the adoption of the report will end the friction and irritation which existed in Europe after the war.

Meanwhile officials emphasize that there is nothing in the report which will bind the United States to reduce the German or Allied war debts and that the American Government does not contemplate a change in their debt policy.—Reuter's American Service.

OIL INDUSTRY

U.S. PRODUCERS CONFER AT COLORADO SPRINGS

GOVERNMENT'S ATTITUDE

Colorado Springs, Yesterday.
The Oil Producers' Conference has been opened. Mr. Mark Requa, who was appointed to preside by President Hoover, hinted at Government control of the industry, and said that if the industry was unable to co-operate he would urge a "rigid Government coercive regulation." —Reuter's American Service.

think that you would get Cpl. Hendry into trouble?—Because I thought he had not seen about it. Cpl. Hendry had never told him that if he had complained, he would get him (Cpl. Hendry) into trouble.

Witness agreed with Major Miles that he had had many opportunities of laying the complaint before his company commander and other officers in his company.

[Case proceeding.]

INDIAN LOANS

TERMS REFLECT MONEY MARKET CRISIS

TWO PENDING ISSUES

Simla, Yesterday.
Unfavourable developments in the International Money Market are reflected in the forthcoming Indian Government Loans, yielding approximately 10 per cent. above the normal.

The first loan, which will not exceed 12 crores of rupees will be issued at 9.8 and be redeemable in 1939-44; the second loan will not exceed 15 crores and will be issued at 9.8 and be redeemable in 1935. Both were to carry interest at 5 per cent.—Reuter.

LOCAL SHOWERS

"S. W. winds, moderate; fair generally, some local showers" is the weather forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-morrow. It applies, as far as Hainan and Formosa Channel.

At 10.45 a.m. to-day the Observatory stated:—Pressure is highest to the N.E. of Japan and relatively low over China generally.

No rainfall was recorded during the 24 hours ended at 10 a.m. to-day. The total for the year is 10.53 inches against an average of 28.92 inches.

Comparative weather statistics for yesterday and to-day are given herewith:—

	Temp.	Humidity	Wind	Force
2 p.m., y-day	89	71	4	
6 a.m., to-day	88	87	4	

JUGO-SLAVIA

THREE LEADING LAWYERS ARRESTED

UNPOPULAR RESOLUTION

Belgrade, Yesterday.
Pernar, Dzanitch and Mintas, three of the leading lawyers of Zagreb, have been arrested with Dr. Politio, the newly elected President of the Zagreb Advocates' Association, after voting in favour of a resolution urging the Association to despatch a telegram to the King demanding the restoration of civil liberty.

They will be tried by a special tribunal under the Defence of the Realm Act.—Reuter.

JAPAN'S PROGRESS

NEW MINISTRY FOR OVERSEAS AFFAIRS

DUTIES DESCRIBED

Tokyo, Yesterday.
This morning witnessed the establishment of the Ministry of Overseas Affairs and the installation of Baron Tanaka as Minister ad interim. The new Ministry consists of a department of Korean affairs and three bureaux of administration, colonisation, and emigration.

Baron Tanaka, interviewed, declared that the Ministry would, inter alia, guide and encourage economic undertakings abroad and particularly stressed the special position of Korea and Korea. The Minister's duties would include the supervision and function of the South Manchurian Railway and the Oriental Development Company.—Reuter.

OTHER PEOPLE'S MONEY

Mr. Leung Ngai-po (alias Leung Hau Tak Tong), formerly managing partner of the Wing Yee Wo firm of metal dealers of No. 31, Wing Lok-street, who died on September 26, 1928, at No. 85, Wong-nai-chong-road, left estate valued at \$20,000 in this Colony. Probate to his will has been granted to the widow, Ip Shi, Man-san.

Mr. Leung Chu, proprietor of the Fook Wo firm of timber merchants, No. 74, Peiho-street, Shamshuipo, who died intestate at the address mentioned on June 17, 1928, left \$5,500 in the Colony. Letters of administration have been granted to the widow, Leung Wong Shi.

TO-DAY'S DOLLAR

The closing rate of the dollar on demand, to-day was 1/10 13/16.

POLITICAL TALK AT TAIYUAN

BIG GROUPS MEET

ENDEAVOURING TO ARRIVE AT UNDERSTANDING

MANCHURIA TO BE NEUTRAL

Peking, To-day.
Peace in North China, especially in Honan, Shensi and Kansu provinces where the people have already suffered immensely because of famine was the main topic of discussion at a conference between leaders of Nanking, Kuomintang and Shansi groups, held last week-end at Taiyuan, the capital of Shansi.

Ting Chun-ko, one of Feng Yuxiang's representatives, declared at the conference that Feng is in favour of peace; while Yen Hsi-shan's colleagues, who were present at the conference, delivered touching speeches, claiming that the people of the three famine-stricken provinces, as well as other provinces, could not bear the burden of another civil war.

Yen's Loyalty

Answering questions from the representatives of the Nanking group, General Yen Hsi-shan repeated his previous declaration that he must support the Central Government at any cost.

As a result of the conference, Yen Hsi-shan has written to Feng Yuxiang advising him to keep his previous declaration of retirement in order to avoid civil war which is bound to occur if he will still cling to his office.—Nan Chung Kuo News Service.

Complicated Relations

Shanghai, Yesterday.
The leaders in Manchuria, including Chang Hsueh-liang (head of the Government), Chang Tso-hsiang and Wan Fu-jin, will hold a special conference to-morrow to discuss a number of important resolutions in connection with the present crisis in China Proper.

In view of the complicated relations between the quarrelling military groups in China Proper, General Chang Hsueh-liang is said to favour a neutral stand for the time being, although it is his intention to support the Central Government at Nanking.

Sharp Lookout

He has suggested that no Fengtien troops be despatched inside the Great Wall at present, in order that misunderstanding with General Yen Hsi-shan be avoided.

Meantime Chang Hsueh-liang is keeping a sharp lookout for the activities of Communists in Manchuria and taking precaution against any possible uprising or re-action in consequence of the recent raid by the Police on the Russian Consulate-General at Harbin.—Nan Chung Kuo News Service.

Manchuria & Russia

Shanghai, To-day.
A spokesman of the Foreign Ministry at Nanking, when interviewed, said that the Central Government has not decided on a definite policy regarding Sino-Russian relations, but the breaking-off of diplomatic relations with Russia seemed inevitable. This, it was believed, will be advantageous to China.

The spokesman added that after diplomatic relations with Russia are discontinued, commercial relations can be maintained through some other channels, which cannot possibly become Russian Communists' propaganda agencies.—Nan Chung Kuo News Service.

PEACEFUL CHANG

KWANGSI EVACUATION OF SWATOW

CANTONESE TAKING OVER

Swatow, Yesterday.
As reported previously, the pro-Kwangsi forces under General Chui King-tong, in the east of Kwangtung, are withdrawing gradually towards the Kwangsi and Fukien borders. They have also evacuated Kityang, Walloy and other districts.

Following this evacuation, the pro-Canton troops are reaching Hoifung and Lukfung to occupy the positions left vacant by pro-Kwangsi troops.

Up to yesterday a number of civil and departmental officials has left Swatow for Hong Kong and other ports. The situation at Swatow is normal.—Nan Chung Kuo News Service.

WAILS IN COURT

BETTER TO BE SHOT THAN JAILED

HYSTERICAL WOMAN

"It is better for me to be shot right on the spot than to go to jail."

Thus a woman hantsee bewailed her ill-luck at being arrested. Pleading with tears in her eyes and crying loudly she informed Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith at the Kowloon Court this morning that she had been banished a few years ago through a fault not entirely her own. Others had been involved, but they had put the whole blame on her.

The accused was arrested on information in a certain house in Yau-mai.

"I'd rather die than go to jail," again wailed the woman. "I promise to go to the country right away."

But all her promises did not move the Magistrate who said that she had been banished for a period of 10 years, and that only three years of that period had expired.

"My father called me to come down here, and I, being a dutiful daughter, obeyed him," said the woman. "I was doing my duty to my father."

His Worship: "But the Government told you to go for ten years, and you must obey the law."

On hearing this, the woman broke out afresh with tears.

Sentence of one year's imprisonment with hard labour was passed. With her face buried in her arms, the woman stood firmly in the prisoner's box, repelling the efforts of the Chinese Court constable who was endeavouring to make her walk down the steps leading to the cells.

Her voice, smothered by her hands, could just be heard to say "I will surely die in jail. I would rather be shot on the spot." When the Court adjourned, she could still be heard loudly protesting—but this time "down below."

A MYSTERY

ATTACKS ON AMBASSADOR'S SON

TOKYO THEN LONDON

London, Yesterday.
The Police are investigating into the mysterious attack on Mr. Roger Tilley, son of Sir John Tilley, British Ambassador at Tokyo.

Mr. Roger Tilley was returning to his home in Chelsea at midnight when a man stepped out from a doorway and felled him to the pavement with a blow on the forehead.

It is believed that the attack is a sequel to a sensational incident in Tokyo two years ago when a knife was thrown at him during a luncheon party at the British Embassy, Tokyo, on the occasion of the visit to Japan of the Crown Prince and Princess of Sweden.

The assailant then escaped. Mr. Tilley is of the opinion that the present assailant is the same man who threw the knife.

It is a strange coincidence that the Crown Prince and Princess of Sweden are at present in London on a visit.—Reuter.

NINE STROKES

THEFT OF GOLD BRACELET FROM GIRL

A Chinese boy was this morning charged before Mr. E. W. Hamilton, at the Central Magistracy, with the theft of a gold bracelet, worth \$24, the property of a girl.

Inspector R. Murphy, who prosecuted, said that both the girl and the boy live with their respective parents on the second floor of No. 40, Sai-street. They occupied adjoining cubicles.

Yesterday afternoon the girl went to have a bath in the kitchen, leaving her bracelet on a table in her cubicle. When she returned it was missing. Inquiries were made, but no one in the house knew anything about the missing ornament.

A Hiding Place
Finally the Police were informed. A detective made inquiries at the house, and then the boy admitted that he had hidden the bracelet in the stairs, where it was recovered.

The lad's excuse to the detective was that he had met a man in the Botanical Gardens who had intimidated him to join a secret society. He stole the bracelet to

DECREASE IN WATER STORAGE

OFFICIAL FIGURES

CONSUMPTION ON THE ISLAND AND MAINLAND

POSITION WEEK BY WEEK

The official weekly statement shows that the total storage in the island reservoirs yesterday morning, amounted to 212.71 million gallons, showing a decrease of 25.19 million gallons during the past week.

The week's consumption amounted to 27.37 million gallons and includes 2.26 million gallons brought across the harbour from Kowloon to the tanks on the water front and .59 million gallons from the Tai-koo Refinery Supply.

The total storage in the mainland reservoirs yesterday morning, amounted to 85.61 million gallons, showing a decrease of 2.95 million gallons during the past week.

The week's consumption including supplies to Water Boats and Hong Kong amounted to 19.59 million gallons.

The yield from streams during the week is, therefore, 17.24 million gallons.

Storage

The following shows the amount in storage (million gallons) on the dates named:—

	Hong Kong	Mainland
April 22	325.98	138.81
" 29	327.25	117.44
May 6	311.72	121.65
" 13	309.34	125.34
" 20	283.97	115.90
" 27	251.03	102.13
June 3	237.30	87.66
" 10	212.71	85.61

Consumption

The following figures show the weekly consumption (million gallons) on the dates mentioned:—

	Hong Kong	Mainland
April 22	37.56	30.76
" 29	37.59	29.88
May 6	33.03	27.17
" 13	30.57	25.07
" 20	31.93	25.06
" 27	33.86	25.36
June 3	27.48	24.85
" 10	27.37	19.59

The Kowloon figures include the amount supplied to water boats and Hong Kong. Estimated population—Hong Kong, 432,560; Kowloon, 170,320—total, 602,880.

WANTON WASTE

Bursting of Water Mains

It is all very well for the "China Mail" and its contemporaries to impress upon the populace not to waste water in these days of shortage, but one would like to know what steps have the P.W.D. authorities taken to prevent wanton waste of this precious fluid!

Have they examined all the mains to see that leakages do not occur? Apparently not, for two cases have been brought to the notice of this paper during the last four days where thousands of gallons of good potable water were allowed to run to waste.

On Saturday the main at St. Francis Yard was at fault and water was running to waste in streams from 3 p.m. until 6.30 p.m. when a Portuguese lady took upon herself the task of telephoning to the authorities about it.

Yesterday the residents at Praya East were treated to another sight—a most tempting one in those days of water shortage, —when a pipe outside Ship-street burst, sending jets of water into the air.

It should not be asking too much for the P.W.D. to send out workmen to inspect all the mains, hydrants and other sources where a leakage is likely to occur.

"Must Not Quarrel"

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hai.

Wong Siew-kwan, Shore-dite,
from London.

S. LACK,
Superintendent.

Hong Kong, 6th June, 1929.

COMMON COLD

PEOPLE WHO ARE AFRAID
OF DRAUGHTS

CAUSE OF INFECTION

A Medical Correspondent of the
"Straits Times" writes:—

There is perhaps no illness
which is more simple in its patho-
logy, less complicated in its bac-
teriology, but more difficult to treat
successfully than a common cold.

One of the most brilliant graduates
of his year, the gold medalist and
an honours man in every subject,
waited behind after the graduation
ceremony to ask his professor what
was the best treatment for a cold.

The old man smiled, and after pat-
ting him gently on the back, whis-
pered into his ear, "Wait and see!"

There are several very effective
methods of avoiding a cold, by
eliminating the poison before it
has time to become concentrated,
through the sweat glands of the
skin. A celebrated physician was
recently found nursing his cold in
the head with black currant tea!

The organisms usually responsible
for the common cold in the head
are of the same variety as those
normally found quite harmless in
the mucous lining of the nose, and
the adjacent cavities. The in-
fluenza germ is of a different kind
and is what may be termed a for-
eign invader. There is, however,
a big psychological side to the
phenomenon of catching cold, and
the people who are most likely to
catch cold are those who coddle
themselves and cover their bodies
with thick clothing and refuse to
open a window in case they feel a
draught. Unfortunately for the
prevention of colds, convention and
common decency demand that we
must be covered by clothing which
confines a layer of moisture and
dust particles next to our skin.

This layer of moisture is probably
one of the most important factors
in the etiology of the common cold.
And the more clothing we wear the
more condensed is the humidity of
this atmosphere around our bodies.

On the other hand, tropical cloth-
ing in an arctic or antarctic region
would be equally foolish, and yet
how few people consider their
wardrobe from a health point of
view.

Human Temperature
The average healthy person has
a mouth temperature of about 98.4
degrees Fahrenheit though the
actual or true temperature of the
blood may be a little higher. If
we take the temperature of an
Esquimo in an icy cold climate we
find it to be almost exactly the
same as that of a healthy, perspi-
ring native in Central Africa.

Among the many mechanisms which
help to form our brain, is one
which regulates temperature, and
under its control is a branch of
the nervous system which automati-
cally contracts or expands the
arteries in the skin as occasion may
require. But local application of
heat or cold, as for example a hot
poultice or an ice-bag, will also
cause expansion or contraction of
the small arteries in the skin, and
if we habitually keep a layer of
humid vapour next our skin, it con-
tinually interferes with the very
sensitive controlling mechanism
which regulates our temperature.

This helps to throw some light on
the explanation why people who
coddle themselves with too much
clothing are often the most subject
to colds and fevers.

But why are colds infectious?
This is chiefly due to what is
known as "droplet" infection. When
an infected patient coughs or
sneezes small droplets are sprayed
out from the mouth and nose,
which may be almost pure cultures
of germs. In addition to the com-
mon cold, there are other bronchial
ailments which can be carried in
this way, such as tuberculosis,
pneumonia, and influenza. At one
time it was thought that these
could also be disseminated through
spitting, but the action of direct
sunlight has an antagonistic effect
against most bacteria, and although
spitting may spread bacteria in the
droplet fashion, it is doubtful if it
is otherwise more than a disgust-
ing vulgarity.

The Most Infectious Period
The most infectious period of a
cold is at its commencement, and
experiments have been made to
demonstrate that after the primary
stage has passed and the cold has
well developed, it cannot then be
transmitted to other people. It is
difficult to accept such results
without further amplification, for a
person may be able to go through a
whole epidemic of colds or in-
fluenza and then at another time,
when resistance is lessened, may
suffer badly, and alone. There is
no doubt, however, that one very
important way in which not only
colds but also some of the fevers
like scarlet fever, may be spread
is by fomites, such as clothing,
handkerchiefs, and bedding. It
has also been shown that tuber-
culosis can be carried in this way.

It has been suggested that in
epidemics of colds and influenza,
linen or cotton handkerchiefs should
be replaced by the Japanese paper
variety which should be burned
after use. If handkerchiefs are used
in the tropics, on such occasions
they should either be soaked in dis-
infectant before being sent to the

dhoby, who probably doesn't boil
them, or they can be boiled at home.
It is reported that during one of
the expeditions in the arctic re-
gions an epidemic was traced not to
the cold, wet and privation, but to
a bale of clothing sent from London
while an epidemic was spreading.

Trench Warfare Phenomenon

Exposure to cold is probably not
a factor which causes the common
coryza. During the War, while
the soldiers were almost continually
up to their waists in mud, while
trench feet and trench fever were
very common, the ordinary cold
was rare. It was suggested that
most of the men developed a kind
of waterproof layer in their skin,
but this was not definitely proved.
Sufferers from lung trouble exposed
to an open air treatment among the
bitterly cold Alps, often thrive very
well on such treatment. A
scientist recently made some inter-
esting, but at the same time rather
amusing experiments on himself, in
order to demonstrate and prove to
his own satisfaction that exposure
to cold was not a predisposing
factor. This gentleman, after a
hot bath, stood undressed in a draught
for an hour, and later stood for half
an hour in a wet shirt in a colder
draught without catching a cold.
One finds it difficult to consider
these as valuable experiments in the
cause of science, as the same experi-
ments are being unintentionally
performed in the tropics almost
every day, and with precisely the
same results. But there are times
when for no apparent reason the
sequel to these experiments points
in the opposite direction and a very
bad cold results.

There are several varieties of the
common cold, which can be caused
by many different and divergent
methods. Inhaling an unfamiliar
type of smoke may produce sufficient
local catarrh to cause a cold. Drink-
ing an excess of iced drinks on a hot
day and so giving a shock to the
heat-controlling mechanism, or be-
ing "run down" and in contact with
an early case of infection may all
result in the common cold. To
avoid a cold, eat plenty of plain
food, but don't over-eat. Don't
drink too much. Avoid early
contacts if possible, and if there is
an epidemic about, avoid crowds
of any kind. Take plenty of exer-
cise, but not enough to drench you
with perspiration. Conform to the
demands of common decency, but
only wear sufficient clothes to keep
you comfortably cool.

HOLY SEE

MAKES A PEACE MOVE IN
MEXICO

Washington, May 31.
Early negotiations for the set-
tlement of the differences between
the Mexican government and the
Roman Catholic Church were pre-
sented to-day by an announcement
by Archbishop Ruiz, president of
the Mexican bishops conference,
that he had been appointed by the
Holy See as Apostolic delegate in
Mexico.

President Portes Gil of Mexico
is understood to be ready to receive
overtures toward the re-establish-
ment of the Catholic ecclesiastical
organisation in Mexico. Gil took a
step in that direction with an ad-
dress to the Archbishop inviting
negotiations.—Associated Press.

HOT MAY AT HOME

HEAT TEMPERATURE GREAT-
EST FOR SEVEN YEARS

London, May 24.

The heat temperature in East
and South-East Midlands of Eng-
land yesterday was the greatest for
seven years for the month of May,
including London, being 82 de-
grees. The day was brilliantly
sunny.

A heath fire, two miles by half-
a-mile, on Cobham Heath endan-
gered Lightwater Manor which was
half encircled by flames. Five fire
brigades aided by troops, after a
desperate fight, saved the mansion.

Three firemen were gassed by
the fumes of tea while fighting a
fire at a tea blending warehouse in
South-East London and collapsed
and were taken to hospital.

FLYING DUCHESS

REPORT OF FLIGHT TO INDIA
DENIED

London, May 15.

The report that the Duchess of
Bedford will start a month hence
on an attempt to fly to India in two
days in a Fokker monoplane piloted
by Captain Barnard is described as
inaccurate.

Captain Barnard has stated that
no plans have yet been made.

PRELATE'S ROMANCE

BISHOP OF COLCHESTER WEDS
SECRETARY

London, May 15.

The Bishop of Colchester, the
Right Rev. Thomas Alfred Chap-
man, D.D., announced his betrothal
to his secretary, Miss Audrey
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BOMBAY—Via Singapore & Colombo.
SUMATRA MARU Wednesday, 19th June.
CHIFUKU MARU Thursday, 4th July.
DURBAN, LOURENCO MARQUES, BEIRA, DAR-ES-SALAAM, ZANZIBAR
& MOMBASA—Via Singapore & Colombo.
PANAMA MARU Sunday, 7th July.
CALCUTTA—Via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.
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ARABIA MARU Tuesday, 18th June.
MELBOURNE—Via Manila, Brisbane & Sydney.
BURMA MARU Thursday, 4th July.
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SHIPPING SECTION.

ADMIRALTY STAFF

FURTHER REDUCTIONS
URGENT

A report recently issued by the Select Committee on Estimates urges further reductions of the staff at the Admiralty. Since 1927 the numbers of the staff have been reduced from 3,011 to 2,873, and an annual saving of £36,337 effected, but the committee recommends that further changes should be made.

In 1927 the Select Committee on Estimates made certain recommendations, but reserved any general recommendations in view of the fact that a Committee of the Board of Admiralty had just been appointed to review the whole question. Sir Osborn Murray, Permanent Secretary to the Admiralty, had informed the Committee that the Board Committee had not yet completed their investigation. They had dealt with the naval staff and the technical departments, and were engaged on the examination of the supply departments. "So far," states the report, "a reduction in numbers from 3,011 in 1927 to 2,873 in 1929 has been effected with an annual saving to Vote 12 of £36,337. As might be expected from the fact that the average savings per post is only £263 per annum, they lie very largely in the subordinate grades. Their net distribution is as follows: Captains, R.N., 4; commanders and other naval ranks, 7; civilian technical officers, 8; directing and higher clerical officers, 9; clerks, 51; drawing office staff, 41; typists, 4; messengers and cleaners, 14—133. Of the 127 civilian posts reduced on balance only eight carry scales rising to £500 per annum bonus."

Most Important Changes
The most important changes were in the naval staff. As recommended by the Committee, the Trade Division had been absorbed in the Plans Division, and there were now six divisions as compared with seven divisions and two sections formerly. The staff was reduced by six officers and nine civilians, while three employed retired officers had been added. In addition, the committee were informed that the Assistant Chief of Naval Staff would no longer be a member of the Board of Admiralty, though his post and that of his Paymaster-Secretary were retained in the Naval Staff under the First Sea Lord.

Your committee welcome these changes, but would suggest that efficiency if it could be arranged that officers appointed to the Naval Staff could be given a longer tenure in their posts. The average period of service is only slightly over two years, and the frequent changes this implies cannot be conducive to economy of staff."

While the review of the Naval Staff had been productive of substantial economy, the results achieved in the technical departments appeared to the Committee to be disappointing. With the present-day shipbuilding programme, the requirements of production could not justify the retention of professional staffs even on the scale provided in 1914, and the Committee were not satisfied that it was impossible to slow down other activities of these departments without detriment to the ultimate efficiency and progress of the Navy.

Civil Servants
The Committee repeat their previous recommendation that the pre-war practice of employing Civil Servants as private secretaries, instead of accountants, should be reversed. The Assistant Chief of Naval Staff will not be a member of the Board in future, the Paymaster-Secretary attached to this officer should be withdrawn forthwith.

Your committee consider that the number of highly paid officers employed as personal assistants to members of the Board calls for attention. Your committee suggests that the Board should consider whether their duties could not largely be transferred to ordinary branch officers, and whether economy would not result from the concentration of the work connected with naval appointments."

The committee trust that the investigations of the Board Committee will be pressed to a conclusion at an early date.

"They are disappointed that the whole ground has not been covered in the 17th months which have elapsed since their report of 1927, and they are of opinion that the effort to reduce the staff at the Admiralty to a lower level calls for more energetic pursuit."

COMMITTEES APPOINTED

As was anticipated, the Conference has followed the method of working adopted by the International Conference of 1914. It has appointed representative committees to investigate each section of the work and to bring up recommendations to the main body when meeting in plenary session. The chairman of these committees have been well chosen. Sir Norman Hill is in charge of Life Saving Appliances (including Fire Extinguishing Apparatus), and his great experience in dealing with this subject on the Merchant Shipping Advisory Committee ensures competent management of this important question. Vice-Admiral George H. Reek, of the United States, has charge of the committee dealing with subdivision of bulkheads, while radio-telegraphy is being dealt with by a committee under Herr Geist, of the German Ministry of Posts. Sir Charles Hipwood, with his large and varied administrative experience, is in charge of the committee dealing with the Rule of the Road at Sea and other matters affecting navigation.

SHIPPING INTERNATIONAL

It is a commonplace recently that shipping is international in a far wider and more pronounced a sense than ever before. Small wonder then that it is generally recognised that much will be gained in efficiency of service if the operation and navigation of ships are carried out in accordance with international rules, equally applied by the responsible authorities in each marine country.

LOST RUDDER

LLOYD'S MEDAL AWARDED TO
MASTER

In November last, whilst on passage from Barry to Galveston, the steamer "Braddovey", under the command of Captain D. Forrest, and owned by Sir William Reardon Smith and Sons, of Cardiff, lost her rudder. Captain Forrest reported by wireless to his owners that efforts were being made to rig a jury rudder. Although the circumstances were all against them—the weather being bad and the ship light—the direction of the master the crew rigged two jury rudders and two drags before finally getting the ship safely into Bermuda under the last jury gear fitted, which acted perfectly. The distance navigated under the jury rudder was some 600 miles. Their investigation for a great part of the distance by the steamer "Braddovey", of the same company, but the "Braddovey" actually received no assistance.

A cablegram of congratulations was sent to Captain Forrest and the crew by the owners on arrival at Bermuda and also from the Imperial Merchant Service Guild, of which society Captain Forrest and the chief officers were members.

CORRECT POSTAGE

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officer, Mr. Stuart Wilson, were both members. Subsequently, Captain Forrest sent an exceedingly well-drawn diagram of the jury rudder, which appeared in the Guild's magazine, together with a description of it and method of rigging.

A report regarding this remarkable feat of seamanship was made by the Guild to Lloyd's, and the Guild has now been informed that the Committee of Lloyd's, having considered the reports which had been received, have had much pleasure in conferring upon Captain Forrest the Lloyd's Silver Medal for Meritorious Services "as an honorary acknowledgment of the ingenuity, resources and unfaltering determination displayed on the occasion in question." Captain Forrest's ship is making a projected voyage, but is now home-bound from Bunbury, Western Australia.

NEWCOMER IN PLATE TRADE

It is only a matter of months since the British and Continental Plate Line was bought out by the Conference Lines, but already a new non-conference line is appearing on the scene. The first steamer will be put on the Plate service by the Belgo-Scandinavian Shipping Company, loading at Brevik, Oslo, Gothenburg, Limhamn, and Antwerp for Monte Video, Rosario and Santa Fe. The inclusion of Brevik and Limhamn seems to indicate that loadings of cement cargoes are anticipated. As was the case with the British and Continental Plate Line, Antwerp is the centre of activity, the Antwerp shipbrokers' firm W. Petersen and Co., together with two Scandinavian owners, being interested in the new line.

SAFETY OF LIFE CONFERENCE

The friendly atmosphere which was a marked feature of the first meeting of the International Conference on Safety of Life at Sea held recently, has been maintained at the subsequent meetings. No doubt this is due in part to the fact that several of the delegates have collaborated before on similar work, but it is certainly due also to the fact that all the representatives are thoroughly assured in their own minds of the benefits of agreement. The broad principle is accepted whatever may be the division of opinion on details. This augurs well for the success of the conference, a success greatly to be desired and of vast importance to all the shipping interest of the world.

H.M.S. "EXETER"

When H.M.S. "Exeter" is launched from Devonport Dockyard on July 18 she will be the second and last of her class; the two new cruisers which are to be laid down in the present financial year will be of a different design. The "Exeter" is of a similar type to the "York", launched by the Duchess of York on the Tyne last July. She will be the fourth ship launched at Devonport since the war, and she is taking the water just under twelve months of her laying down in August, last. Lady Madden, wife of Admiral of the Fleet Sir Charles Madden, First Sea Lord, will perform the naming ceremony.

TRANSATLANTIC

CUNARD LINER TO CALL AT
TWO IRISH PORTS

Dublin.—The Cunard Line recently established the precedent of a liner calling at two Irish ports on the same day. The "Scythia" put into Queenstown, and from there continued her voyage to Galway, taking passengers at both ports, and then proceeded to Boston and New York.

TYNE COKE TRADE

Perhaps still more gratifying is the growth in coke shipments, in which 1913 is left far behind. In that year the Tyne exported just over 800,000 tons of coke, but in 1927 the quantity was over 900,000 tons, and in 1928 it reached 950,000 tons. This, as Sir William Noble said at the annual meeting of the Tyne Improvement Commission, is a truly remarkable development of the trade since pre-war days, and a worthy tribute to the enterprise of the local manufacturers. Sir William indicated that even the good record of 1928 will be left behind by this year's figures. No port in the country ships away so much coke as the Tyne.

CHINA MAIL-LINE

After six years' litigation, creditors of the bankrupt China Mail Steamship Company, whose claims exceed \$700,000, will receive less than a fraction of what they are owed according to Referee in Bankruptcy A. B. Kref, who closed proceedings in San Francisco last month. Out of \$40,000 in cash which the company still has on hand \$11,000 will go to the American Government to satisfy an old income tax claim. All but a few hundred dollars of the rest will go for legal expenses. Heavy fines levied against the company for smuggling of narcotics by members of the crew and passengers, throw the China Mail into bankruptcy in 1923.

TYNE'S COAL EXPORT

The Tyne has done wonderfully well to exceed the figures for 1913 in its March coal shipments. The quantity shipped away from the river during the month was 1,592,392 tons, which is an increase of 249,510 tons over March of last year, and of 110,074 tons over March, 1918. The total for the first quarter of the year, however, at 4,761,813 tons, compares with 4,761,813 tons for the same period of 1913, and so falls short, but not seriously short. It is an unexpected thing to get back to 1913 figures for even one month. The great frost and the coal export, which followed have stood the Tyne in good stead.

NORTH ATLANTIC TRACKS

The Cunard Line have written to the Liverpool Underwriters' Association as follows:—"It has been agreed to all the lines signatory to the North Atlantic Line Routes Agreement that Track 'B' should remain operative until September 1 next, subject of course to the conditions ruling during the period. Notifications have, therefore, been sent to all the companies concerned, requesting them to issue the necessary instructions to the masters of their vessels."

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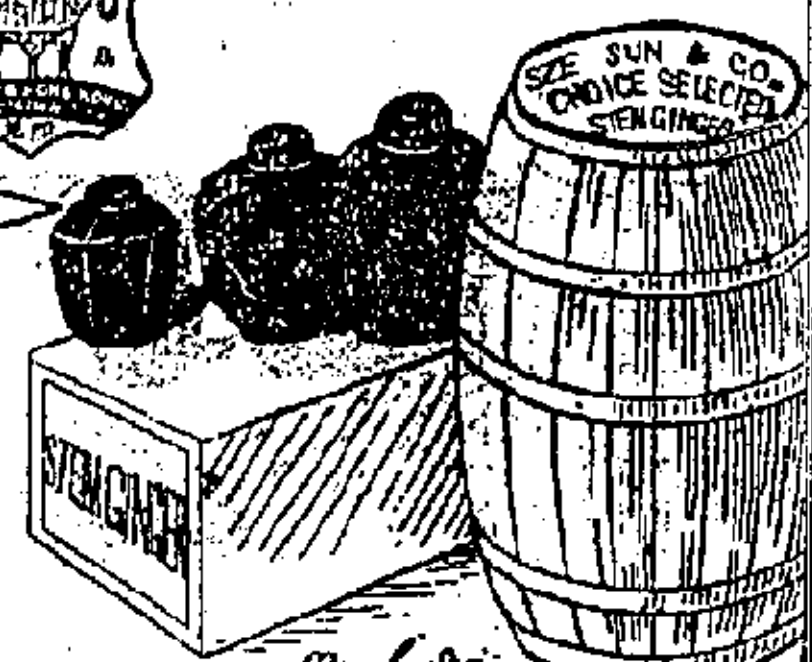
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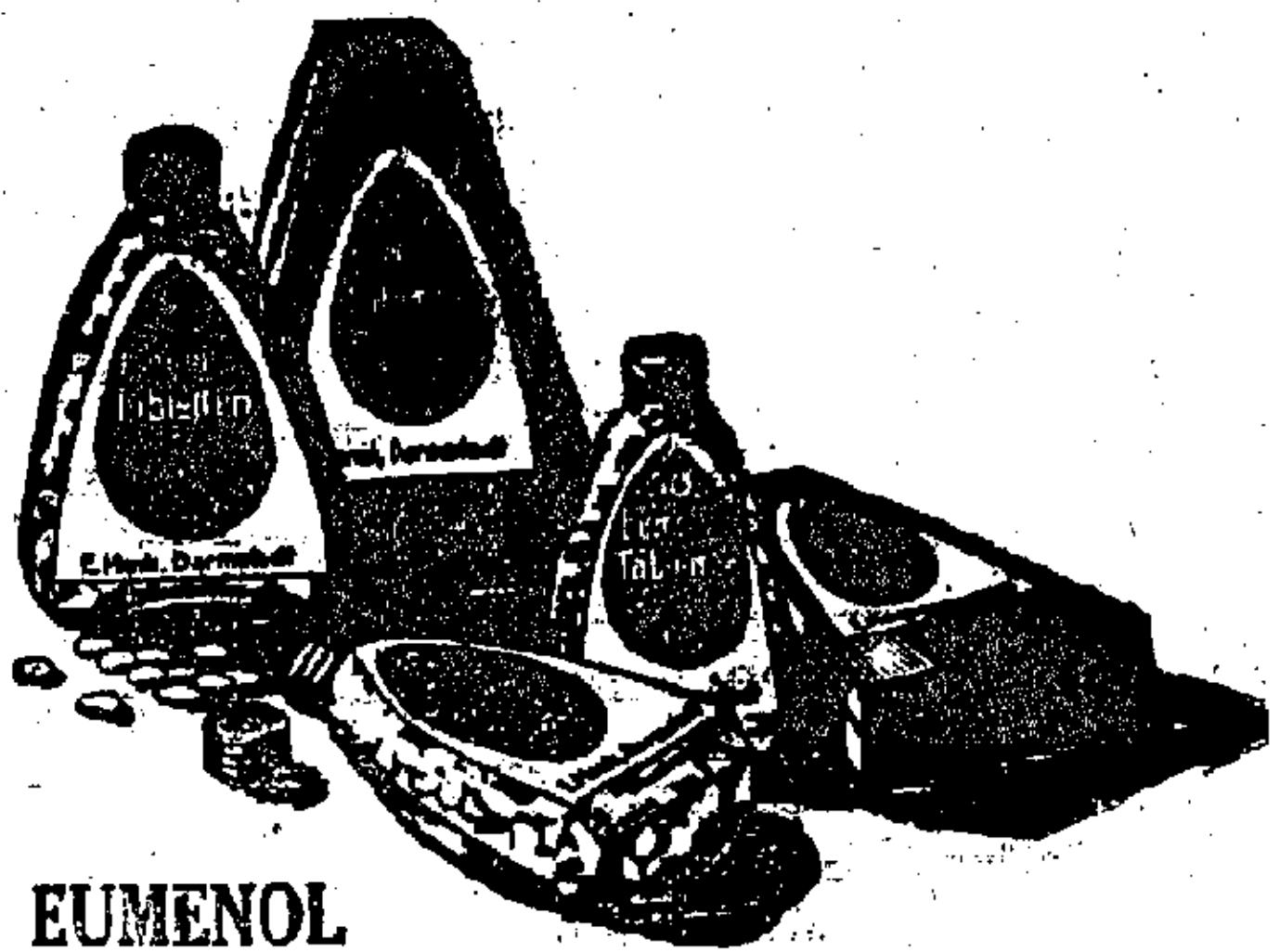
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PROPAGANDISTS, BEWARE!

Like other newspapers published here and elsewhere, the "China Mail" is to a certain extent dependent on news furnished by agencies to supplement our own supply. If there are more than one sides to a story, we try to give everybody a hearing. Our experience of Canton—and the same applies to other parts of China—has been discouraging. In times of peace nobody in authority cared about the papers. In time of war, those in authority were too busy to think of anything but war, with the result that "official" news was nearly always unobtainable. Since the beginning of the campaign between the two Kwang provinces, however, a number of new news agencies have favoured the "China Mail" with their service. And the time has come when the "China Mail" feels constrained to point out to some of these propagandists that they are, at least, doing their cause a disservice when they go out of their way to create false impressions.

There is a "Nan Chung Kuo News Service," whose address is printed as No. 46A, Bonham-road. In a communique dated Canton, June 9, it says:—

"The originally so-called Kwangsi clique politicians and militarists include such leaders as Li Tsung Jen, Pei Hsiung Hsi, Huang Shao Hung (Wong Shu Hung) and others and they are to make Nanning, Kwangsi, as their future stronghold, while the Nanning clique are nominally for Chiang Kai Shek. Nanning is the present capital of Kwangsi Government."

The poison is in the tail of the statement. If our friends are woefully lacking in the fundamentals of the English language, they should be *en fait* with the requirements of journalism. We hold no brief for Chiang Kai-shek. In fact we much dislike the high-handed manner he so often adopts. Neither do we make any distinction—as individuals—between the present Canton administration under the two Generals Chan and its predecessor under the Kwangsi group. But we are not, if we can prevent it, going to lend our columns to adding colour to news despatches which, from being plain "news" has deteriorated to one-tenth news, five-tenths views and the remainder predictions.

What arouses our ire is the childish belief that such crude and clumsy methods, ungrammatical and untruth, might be published. After giving the paragraph quoted, the Nan Chung Kuo goes on to quote "outside observers" (whatever that may mean) and then proceeds to rattle off a list of Chiang Kai-shek's enemies who, the hope is expressed, will gain the day.

Of an altogether different type is some stuff sent to us by the Canton News Agency, belated and unaddressed. Whereas the Nan Chung Kuo does attempt to camouflage propaganda by confusing it with news of a kind, the Canton News Agency, after a silence of many days, returns to work by sending us two lengthy closely-typed and poorly-carboned appreciations of Admiral Chan Chak and Mr. Au Yeung-kui, whose virtues we know and whose praises we can sing whenever we feel disposed. Surely the Canton News Agency does not expect to get free space for it to pat on the back officials who might condescend to approve of the praise bestowed? Which all goes to show that the business of getting the most reliable news and the best informed views for our readers is not so easy as supposed. We have heard readers say: "Oh, the 'X.Y.Z.' says so-and-so." More often than not, it does nothing of the kind; it quotes a certain source, (for example, Reuters, or the Wireless) as having said so. Please bear that in mind.

Our Dutch friends have, and not unnaturally, received a shock in the outrage that has occurred at their West Indian

Colony of Curacao, in the far off Caribbean Sea. Such an occurrence of despicable outlaws might, of course, easily take place there as elsewhere in the world, but it is rather unique to find the Governor and the Commander of the troops among those hustled off as hostages. The Dutch doubtless were hopelessly outnumbered by the marauders and were evidently, at the time, very inadequately protected. That seems to be the view taken by the Dutch Press and by certain critics of the Home Government, who, of course, are now being blamed, rightly or wrongly, for the occurrence. A Dutch destroyer has been despatched to the scene of the outrage, and its arrival and retention at Willemstad will doubtless prevent a recurrence of the unhappy incident. That the local Forces resisted is evident from the fact that several Police were killed. Clearly, the Dutch will have to see to their Colony being more strongly fortified in future, as it will never do to have Venezuelan Nationalists behaving like bandits and, above all, capturing Governors and military Commanders.

Interesting scenes of the State burial of Dr. Sun Yat-sen will be screened during all performances at the World Theatre from to-day to Thursday.

For the theft of a pair of bangles from a child who was being carried on its mother's back, a Chinese girl was yesterday sentenced by Mr. E. W. Hamilton to one month's hard labour.

A warrant has been issued for the arrest of a Chinese named Chan Foo (27), who is alleged to have absconded with \$95.81 the property of his employer, a shopkeeper of No. 4, Second-street, West Point.

Charged at the Central Magistracy, this morning, with loitering in Pedder-street and with failing to produce his licence when called on to do so by the Police, the Chinese driver of a public motor car was fined a total of \$15.

David Monteiro, a seven-year-old boy, was severely injured yesterday when he accidentally fell from the roof on to the second floor verandah of No. 93, Nanking-street. He is now in the Kowloon Hospital in a serious condition.

PLEASE DON'T WASTE WATER

As the result of a pot of boiling water upsetting in the kitchen of No. 35, First-street, West Point, a 14-year-old Chinese lad was severely scalded. He was removed to the Government Civil Hospital, where his condition is considered serious.

Sergt. Pilgrim, of the Military Foot Police, prosecuted in a case heard at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, when a Chinese was charged with trespassing on military ground at Whitfield Barracks without a permit. He was fined \$5.

In the Supreme Court yesterday, Mr. C. G. Alabaster, K.C., made an application to the Chief Justice Sir Henry Gollan, on behalf of the Francis Hotel for an extension of time in which to file an allotment of shares. The application was granted.

For causing an obstruction in Middle-road by playing football behind the European Y.M.C.A., three Chinese youths appeared before Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith at the Kowloon Court. One of the accused, who did not appear, had his bail estreated. The other two were fined \$1 each.

Two Chinese were each fined \$50, or in default one month's hard labour, by Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Central Magistracy. They were convicted on a charge of inducing, by promises, two seamen to join the Seamen's Union which was formed with the approval of the Hong Kong Government.

An accident occurred at the junction of Des Vaux-road West and Hill-road yesterday afternoon. A tramcar was turning the bend at the junction when it collided with a handcart. One of two coolies who were pulling the cart was knocked down and severely injured in the right leg. The Police removed him to the Government Civil Hospital.

Yesterday a constable charged a hawk before Mr. E. W. Hamilton for causing an obstruction by selling on the pavement. The evidence against the defendant was ruled out, however, because the constable had failed to seize the pair of scales with which he said he had seen defendant weighing his wares for a number of women. Defendant was discharged.

ROUND THE CINEMAS

THE ADVENTURES OF A POLICEMAN

"RILEY, THE COP"

Hilarious comedy, with James Farrell MacDonald and Louise Fazenda constantly in the foreground, is the keynote of "Riley, The Cop," a new Fox Picture which will be shown to-day and to-morrow at the Queen's Theatre. The story concerns the adventures of a New York policeman who is sent to Munich to bring back a prisoner. The arm of the law proceeds to forget all about his charge when he meets a beautiful girl in a beer garden and many amusing situations take place before the final climax which holds a surprise.

David Rollins and Nancy Drexel, two popular young players with many screen successes to their credit, also have important parts to play in an appealing romance.

Some beautiful scenes of the Continent are included to make the picture one well worth seeing. Sam Ky West and his Paradise Harmony Trio will appear during each performance in a farewell programme.

TUBERCULOSIS

DISCOVERY OF A "FATTY" ACID

RESULT OF RESEARCH

Washington, June 1.
Discovery of a "fatty" acid which may have far-reaching effect in science's search for a tuberculosis cure was reported recently at the National Academy of Sciences.

The acid, a chemical substance which is almost a solid at certain temperatures, induces the growth of tubercles when injected into normal animal. It may be the root of tuberculosis and a study of its formation in human cells and its activity may provide a new angle of attack against the disease.

The finding is the result of research in Rockefeller Institute by Dr. Florence R. Sabin, only woman member of the academy, Dr. C. A. Doan, and Dr. C. F. Forker. It was described as one of the most significant results of the extensive study of the disease undertaken by the National Tuberculosis Association.

The work centres around the hope that a means of curing the disease may be found by studying the chemistry of the bacillus which acts as a parasite of one of the cells of the body.

One part of the study is to tear apart the component elements of the cell; another is to produce these fractions in large quantities; and the third is to show the effect of each in influencing the growth of the tubercle bacillus.

The chemical work in connection with the co-operative study is being done in sterling Laboratory, Yale University, by Pro. T. B. Johnson and Dr. R. J. Anderson.

They have investigated the chemical substances making up the cells. These have been separated and methods developed to produce them in large quantities so that each may be studied by itself.

The work of Dr. Sabin and her co-workers has been to find the effect of the separated substances. One, the hitherto unknown "fatty" acid, is of such power that doses introduced into the tissues of a rabbit easily produce reactions similar to tuberculosis.

The newly found acid has the power of causing rapid multiplication of one strain of blood and tissue cells in the body to the exclusion of all the other cells of which the body is made up.

If it is found to be the only substance that will cause tubercles to grow, further research will be carried on to combat its effect to bring a solution to the cure of the dread disease.

It was pointed out in the discussion that the discovery was of the study of cancer and other tumours, as in these severe diseases some substance acts which makes one cell grow at the expense of the other cells of the body. "Associated Press."

BELGIUM AND PERSIA

Brussels, May 31.

A treaty of friendship and arbitration has been signed between Belgium and Persia.—Trans-Ocean.

Li Ngau (11), a school boy, was drowned yesterday whilst bathing in a pool of water behind Taihang village. The body was recovered and removed to the mortuary.

Thieves yesterday raided the backyard of the residence of Mr. I. M. Xavier, No. 16, Macdonnell-road and stole 16 pot plants worth \$39.

A hymn book owned by her grandfather in 1825, when he was a choirboy at St. Michael's Church, Bishop's Stortford, has been presented to the church by Miss Laura Clark.

The diamond wedding celebrations of the Rev. F. and Mrs. Willett, of Haywards Heath, were attended by two sisters of Mrs. Willett, who were bridesmaids at the wedding.

P'RAPS—

P'RAPS NOT!

Aberdonian to Bailie: "An' what are ye gaun' to dae about new houses, Bailie?"

Bailie: "We had a meetin' last night, puttin' our heads together, to see if we couldna mak' them out o' wood!"

The tourist had been studying the lay-out of the district and, encountering a native, remarked: "How does the land lie out here?" "Why," returned the native, "taint the land, it's the land agents!"

Wife: "But, my dear, you've forgotten again that to-day is my birthday."

Husband: "Er—listen, love. I forgot it, but there isn't a thing about you to remind me that you are a day older than you were a year ago."

Peep: "I'm going to be a tight-rope walker."
Pry: "You'll have to take lessons."

Peep: "How's that?"
Pry: "Even the rope has to be taut."

He was a typical Aberdonian, and stood gazing enviously at a magnificent mansion, and the stream of luxurious automobiles parked outside.

"Gosh," he murmured, "you looks grand—I'd gie a thousand pounds to be one of them there millionaires!"

The treatment of prisoners in one of our largest prisons is remarkably humane.

A regular visitor inquired recently of an old offender: "What's wrong with Bill? He seems to have a grievance."

"No wonder," was the reply of one of his mates. "He hit a warden with his shovel to-day, and now they won't let him go to choir practice."

One evening a well-known comedian was entering the stage door when he was held up by a "resting" brother professional, who announced impersonally that if only he could raise the fare to Sheffield he would soon be working.

"But, dash it, man," was the reply. "It's not many hours ago, outside the Empire, that you pitched me the same tale about going to Plymouth—and touched."

Undeafened, the brazen one gulped, took a firmer hold on his unsteady wits, and retorted indignantly:

"Well, what of it? What of it? Even you change your patter, don't you?"

A gentleman who always stammered when very nervous met an acquaintance who stopped him for a chat.

"Hullo, Jones!" said the friend. "Congratulations on your success—I hear you were broadcasting a lecture on the wireless last week—but I didn't listen in that night. Missed it by accident. How did it go off?"

"Oh, wretched!" said the other. "I always stutter when nervous. I made six attempts to say the word 'please'—and, hearing six p's, everybody took it for the time signal!"

Breathlessly she hurried into the police station.

"Inspector," she cried anxiously. The busy man looked up from his writing.

"Madam," he said suavely, "pray take a seat until you recover yourself."

"But, inspector," implored the woman, "I urge you. It's most important. My husband has disappeared—vanished. He just walked out and hasn't come back. Here's his photo, and now please find him, inspector—please."

The man behind the desk studied the portrait in silence. Then he looked up at the woman. "Why?" he asked.

As the parting instructions were being given, the young commercial traveller picked up his bag, and, hat in hand, prepared to leave the office. On his way out he looked into the manager's office, and bade him a cheerful farewell.

"Good luck, Timmins," said his chief, "be sure and wire us any important news."

The youth replied that he would set off on his first business trip. He clambered aboard the train for Worcester, and prepared himself for the journey with countless magazines and papers.

The next day the head office was astonished to receive the following telegram: "Reached here safe. Good rooms, with bath, feeling grand."

The chief, on being shown the message, immediately wired back: "So glad, love and kisses. Good-bye!"

MALARIA FEVER

Relation To Man And Mosquito

MAGNITUDE OF PROBLEM

The following is the first instalment of a lecture on "Malaria in Its Relation to Man and Mosquito," by Dr. A. E. Wellington, Director of Medical and Sanitary Services:—

1. Malaria in its restricted sense means a disease of humans caused by a microscopic organism which invades the corpuscles of the blood, feeding on them, destroying them and excreting poisons which cause fever.

2. Malaria in its fullest sense includes all the factors immediate and remote which have an effect on the growth and dissemination of the malaria parasite.

3. At one time thought to be a simple subject, investigation has proved it to be very involved. Professor Kunen, the celebrated Dutch investigator, said recently "ten years ago we knew all about malaria—now the only thing we are sure of is that we only know the fringe of the subject." You will get some idea of the magnitude of the problem when I tell you that what we already know fills books.

4. In a lecture like this I can only sketch out briefly the evolution of our knowledge of the aetiology of the disease, the life history of the parasite, its effects on human progress.

History

5. The term malaria is a combination of two Italian words: mal, meaning bad, and aria air—bad air.

For centuries the disease has been known to be in some way connected with swamps and that people who live near swamps, especially those who spend the night in the vicinity, are particularly liable to contract the disease. Nothing was known of germs or microbes in the old days and diseases were often attributed to the inhalation of poisonous gases.

It was noticed that mists formed over swamps during the night and that these mists had a chilling effect on the body. What was more natural than to attribute the shivering attack of malaria to this mist or bad air, the malaria of the swamp.

Laveran, a French surgeon, while examining the blood of malaria patients under the microscope noticed moving bodies in some of the red corpuscles. He concluded that these were the cause of the disease, the parasites of malaria. He was right.

Manson in China proved the mosquito to be the vector of filaria, a worm which causes elephantiasis in man. He argued that the parasite of malaria might well be carried by the same insect and that the fact that mosquitoes breed in swamps would explain the connection between swamps and malaria.

Ross's Proof

Ronald Ross had the same theory. He worked it out and proved that malaria is carried from man to man by a certain species of mosquitoes belonging to the family anophelines. He showed that the anopheline is not a mere mechanical tool like a vaccination lancet, that it does not infect one human with the infected blood of another, but that the parasite actually invades the tissues of the insect and causes a general infection. When the saliva becomes infective which it does after an interval of 10 days, then and then only, is the mosquito capable of passing on the infection to another human.

Malaria may now be defined as a disease of man and of certain species of anophelines caused by a micro-organism (the malaria parasite) which passes from mosquito to man and from man to mosquito through the sucking process of the insect. The human infects the mosquito and the mosquito infects the human, there is no direct infection from man to man or from mosquito to mosquito.

Proof of the Mosquito Theory

Sambon, Low, and Terzi resided for three months in one of the most malarious districts in Italy. They lived in a hut protected from mosquitoes by wire gauze. They were out all day in all weathers, often did hard manual work, drank the water of the place, but from sunset to sunrise stayed inside their mosquito-proofed hut. They took no quinine or any other precaution beyond staying in the mosquito proofed-house from sunset to sunrise, the biting time of the anopheline. Neither of the three contracted malaria. Their neighbours all around who were not protected from mosquito bites, went down repeatedly with the disease.

Anophelines fed in Rome on malaria patients, were sent alive to the London School of Tropical Medicine where they fed on two volunteers, Dr. Manson and Mr.

Warren. Neither of these gentlemen had ever been out of England, neither had ever suffered from malaria and neither of them had malaria parasites in his blood. Within 10 days both went down with malaria, parasites were found in the blood of each, and these parasites were the same as those which occupied the blood of the Italian patients at Rome.

Similar experiments have been done in various parts of the world and it is now universally accepted by scientific men that malaria is spread from man to man by certain species of anopheline mosquitoes.

Disturbance of Soil

That malaria often breaks out after ground has been opened is frequently cited as a proof that the disease can be spread by something set free from the earth by the turning over of the soil. The disturbance of the soil certainly is frequently followed by malaria, but the effect is not direct but indirect. Water on new earth somehow has an attraction for the female anopheline. What that attraction is has not yet been worked out.

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The corpuscular skin bursts liberating the young parasites and the poisons.

Poisons Upset Body

The poisons upset the body and bring on an attack of fever.

Some of the young parasites get destroyed, some find their way into fresh red corpuscles and commence a new cycle.

The little cycle in man is called the asexual cycle because there is no conjugation between different sexes before multiplication.

The reaction of the human—The human body is not a passive agent in disease. It resents the intrusion of any foreign matter and it takes measures to rid itself of any which may find entry. It has a factory for the manufacture of anti-toxins or antibodies to foreign poisons. It has a factory for the manufacture of poisons, substances which have a detrimental effect on foreign organisms but which do no harm to itself. It has a factory for the manufacture of leucocytes or white corpuscles, the policemen and scavengers of the body.

The anti-toxin neutralises the poisons of the parasite and brings the temperature back to normal. The opsonins lower the vitality of the organism and prepare the way for the attacks of the leucocytes or police. The police gobble up the parasites and dispose of them.

Cause of Relapses

It is by the provision of anti-toxins, opsonins, and leucocytes that the body resists any disease. The factories work better when the body is maintained at a high tone and that is the reason why malaria relapses occur when the constitution is lowered by chills or other untoward influences.

But neither the anti-toxins, the opsonins nor the police can touch anything protected by the corpuscular skin. And it is the periodic bursting of the corpuscles and the liberation of the successive doses of poisons which cause the intermittent rises of temperature which are so characteristic of malaria.

The big cycle—man to mosquito and mosquito to man—after a time the resistance of the body becomes so great that the parasite finds it difficult to carry on. When this happens the intra corpuscular parasites change their habits. They refuse to divide when they have reached maturity. Their internal arrangement changes somewhat and they become more resistant to outside influences. Two forms can now be distinguished, one is male and the other female.

Host for the Parasite

It is here that the mosquito comes into the field as a host for the parasite.

Not all mosquitoes can act as hosts for the sexual forms, the stomach juices of the vast majority are too strong and the parasites are killed. The stomach juices of any mosquito will kill the sexual forms. But the gastric juices of some species of anophelines instead of killing the sexual forms stimulate them to action. The male throws out certain whip-like processes which break off, swim to a female and become absorbed in it.

The impregnated female now becomes elongated and its anterior end pointed. It bores its way into the mosquito's stomach wall where it stays and undergoes development. It forms a ball. Inside the ball little round prickly bodies like chestnut burrs form. The prickles which are the young parasites leave the burr and fill up the ball. The ball or tumour bursts, the prickles escape into the tissues of the insect and are distributed all over its body by its blood stream.

Some enter the salivary glands and find their way into the saliva.

Injection of Saliva

When a mosquito bites it injects saliva to make the blood run better. It is this saliva which causes the irritation which most of us have experienced.

The saliva of an infected mosquito contains the parasites and one bite from such may start the asexual cycle.

Incubation periods.—After inoculation into a human it takes ten days for the parasites to increase to such a number that their combined poisons can cause symptoms of fever. After symptoms of fever appear 10 days elapse before the sexual forms become manifest. After ingestion by the mosquito of the sexual forms a further period of 10 days elapses before the young forms appear in its saliva.

One infected mosquito may infect any number of humans and one infected human may infect any number of mosquitoes. Remember that the infected human is a focus for the spread of malaria and that an infected baby is just as dangerous as an infected adult. Native children are most dangerous as they are not screened by mosquito curtains from the bites of susceptible anophelines.

(To be Continued.)

SHADOWS BEFORE.

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN THE "MAIL"

ENTERTAINMENTS

To-day — Queen's Theatre; "Riley The Cop" & Sam Ku West.

To-day — World Theatre; "Lovey Mary."

To-day — Star Theatre; "Mockery."

To-day — Majestic Theatre; "The Garden of Allah."

To-day—Great Chinese Circus, Praya East, 9 p.m.

Home Mails

To-day—Inward from Europe via Siberia (Sado Maru).

To-morrow—Outward for America and ports, Europe via San Francisco, and Siberia ("Tenyo Maru"), 8.30 a.m.

Lammert's Auction

June 13—At Sales Room, Duddell-street, a large quantity of silk materials and E. P. wares, 2.30 p.m.

Meetings

June 19 — Forty-eighth meeting of Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd., Messrs. Jardine's Office, noon.

July 6—Meeting of Creditors of the Hong Kong Tug & Lighter Co., Ltd., at Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth & Fleming's offices, noon.

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PHYSICAL CULTURE

CHINESE FOM MANILA FOR CANTON

Mr. G. G. Tan, general secretary of the Chinese Y. M. C. A., Manila, has been appointed as dean of the Canton College of Physical Education in Canton.

Mr. G. G. Tan was graduated from the International Y. M. C. A. College in Chicago two years ago. He was sent by the Manila Chinese millionaire sportsman, Mr. C. C. Lim.

Tan is a letter man of the American college and also was a member of the Far Eastern Olympic team ten years ago.

Recently he has written three books as follows: "Physical Education in the Philippines," "Stadia or Stadiums," and "My Two Years' Experience with the Manila Chinese Y.M.C.A."

PILOT INCINERATED

TERRIBLE FATE OF MR. ERIC SCHOLFIELD

London, May 16.

One of the best-known British pilots, Mr. Eric Scholfield, who was a test pilot at Vickers' works, was incinerated to-day, while flying over the Thames between Weybridge and Shepperton.

The wing of the machine became partly detached from the aeroplane, the tail snapped, and the machine fell into the river and caught fire.

The mechanic jumped out and was killed. His body was almost buried.

Mr. Scholfield last year flew from London to Bucharest in 10 hours.

DWIGHT DAVIS

TALKS WITH HOOVER; OATH IS ADMINISTERED

Washington, June 3.

Dwight F. Davis, new Governor-General of the Philippines, plans to hold his final conference with President Hoover to-morrow. On the same day he will take the oath of office. The oath will be administered by Justice Stone of the Supreme Court.

Governor Davis plans to leave Washington on Saturday and to sail from San Francisco on June 15.—"Associated Press."

RADIUM FOR CANCER

London, June 1.

One million dollars worth of radium is to be available next under government auspices for treatment of sufferers from cancer. Twenty grammes will be purchased. Half the cost will be defrayed by the Government and half by contributions from National Radium Trustees will be created.—"Associated Press."

The huge shark which was captured by the students of the Chieh Mei College, Amoy, near the Hua Yao Shan Island, has been brought to Woosung and lodged in the Water Products College there. It will be preserved and sent to the Hanchow Exhibition. The shark is 30 ft. long and weighs 6,000 catties.

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HAROLD T. CREASY, Water Authority, Public Works Department, Hong Kong, 10th June, 1929.

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IN OTHER PLACES

CHRONICLES FROM JAPAN TO JAVA

Mr. J. S. Noakes, the Tientsin agent of Hall & Holtz Ltd., is on a trip to England via Siberia.

Sir Charles and Lady Fawcett were travelling in the East recently. Sir Charles Fawcett has been Puisne Judge of the Bombay High Court since 1920.

The commissioners appointed to reorganize and amalgamate the student organizations of Shanghai have resolved to issue a circular denouncing Feng Yu-hsiang.

Recently anti-Chiang Kai-shek and anti-imperialist slogans were found posted in Avenue Road, Shanghai. Anti-Feng Yu-hsiang placards were seen in Wootung.

The administration of the Chapei Chamber of Commerce was transferred to the commission appointed to reorganize the various commercial bodies of Greater Shanghai on June 5.

H.R.H. Prince Rajasakdi of Siam, the eldest surviving son of King Mongkut, has passed the age attained by King Rama I, who was the longest lived of the Kings of the present dynasty, and who died in his 73rd year. The occasion was celebrated last week at the Prince's palace in Bangkok.

It is understood that H. E. the High Commissioner (Sir Hugh Clifford) accompanied by his Private Secretary, Mr. W. F. N. Churchill, recently visited Seremban, on his way to Sri Menanti, the seat of the Yang di Pertuan Besar of Negri Sembilan to attend the triennial Mengadap ceremony.

The huge shark which was captured by the students of the Chieh Mei College, Amoy, near the Hua Yao Shan Island, has been brought to Woosung and lodged in the Water Products College there. It will be preserved and sent to the Hanchow Exhibition. The shark is 30 ft. long and weighs 6,000 catties.

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LATERAN TREATY

POPE MAY LEAVE VATICAN
THIS WEEK

A ROYAL VISIT?

Rome, May 31.
Pope Pius XI already has signed a copy of the Lateran accord resolving the differences between the Vatican and the Quirinal, says the newspaper "Popolo d'Italia" to-day. The copy signed by the Pontiff is destined for the files of the Italian government. It is announced that exchanges of ratifications between the Vatican and Premier Benito Mussolini are imminent.

The newspaper asserts that credentials for Cardinal Gasparri, Papal secretary of state, authorizing him to guide the exchange of ratifications have been prepared in anticipation of the ceremony.

It now appears that plans for the Pope to leave the Vatican on June 6 have been abandoned. It is likely that the Holy Father will decide to leave the Vatican for the first time on June 16 when the beatification of Father de la Beire occurs at St. Peter's church.

Reports also were current to-day that King Victor Emmanuel of Italy and his Queen soon will pay a visit to the Pope. It will be the first such visit since 1871 when the

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Pope became a voluntary prisoner within the Vatican in protest to action of the Italian government in denying him his temporal power. It is understood, also, that Italy's sovereigns intend to offer a great reception at the Quirinal Palace to members of the College of Cardinals, members of the diplomatic corps accredited to the Holy See and Roman prelates generally.

At the Vatican City to-day His Holiness celebrated his 72nd birthday. He was actively engaged at the Vatican throughout the day, granting audiences, answering correspondence, and transacting routine business. The Holy Father appeared to be cheerful and in robust health.

Last night, for the first time, the Pope tried the new and luxurious automobile presented to him several weeks ago by the Italian automobile club.

After his automobile ride there was a family reunion. Survivors of the Ratti family, including the Pope's brother, Count Ratti; his sister, Camilla Ratti; his niece, Marchioness Ugolino Pershetti and her husband were present at the reunion—Associated Press.

HAIG'S SISTER

LADY VICTORIA HAIG TO WED
DUKE'S NEPHEW

The engagement has been announced at Home between Mr. Claud Andrew Montagu-Douglas-Scott, son of Lord and Lady Herbert Montagu-Douglas-Scott, and Lady Victoria Haig, second daughter of the late Field-Marshal Earl Haig and of Countess Haig, of Bemersyde.

Lady Victoria Haig is 20 years of age. She is at present staying with her mother at Bemersyde, St. Boswells, in the south of Scotland.

Mr. Claud Andrew Montagu-Douglas-Scott is a nephew of the Duke of Buccleuch, and is 22. He is the only son of Lord Herbert Montagu-Douglas-Scott, and is a lieutenant in the Irish Guards Reserve of Officers.

Lord Herbert Scott is a well-known business man, and was last year president of the London Chamber of Commerce. He served in the South African war as A.D.C. to Lord Roberts.

WAR ON BANDITS

SCOTLAND YARD'S LATEST
TACTICS

London, May 14.

Moves and counter-moves follow swiftly in the war between London's motor bandits and the "Flying Squad."

The bandits have recently obtained the upper hand. They carried out a score of daring raids during the past week without being caught. They have now learned to recognise Police cars.

Scotland Yard has decided to enlist the art of camouflage as the newest weapon. Cars will be disguised as taxis, butchers' vans, etc. They will be capable of attaining a speed of fifty miles an hour in ten seconds and have a maximum speed of 90 miles an hour.

Police chauffeurs have been given instructions to ignore the ordinary rules of the road when pursuing bandits, the Police Commissioner pointing out the right of way on hearing a siren bell, during the day and seeing the flash of certain electric signs by night. All the cars will be equipped with wireless.

MONEY AND SHARES

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TAMMANY HALL

ITS LEADER AND THE "SPOILS" SYSTEM

DOOM OF REFORM

New York, April 24.
New York's "Tammany Tiger," after its vain venture into national politics to secure the Presidency for Mr. "Al" Smith, is back again in its old lair, determined to confine its attentions to City affairs.

This decision is indicated by the election of Mr. John F. Curry to succeed Mr. George W. Olvany as leader of the Tammany organization. The choice marks a victory for the old school of Tammany executives, who wanted a leader drawn from their own ranks instead of imported, as in the case of Mr. Olvany, to give Tammany a gentler appearance in the eyes of the country.

Mr. Curry's selection ends the era of silk hats at Tammany Hall and concludes the attempt of Mr. Smith and his nominee to reform the organization from within by creating what became popularly known as the "new Tammany." An inveterate office-holder himself, Mr. Curry is a firm believer in the so-called "spoils" system, his prestige in his own district, West Side, Manhattan, coming from untiring efforts to find jobs for henchmen; he is a benevolent dictator and has relieved need and distress in his district.

Blow to Mr. Smith
Mr. Curry, like Charles F. Murphy, a leader of the old-school type who preceded Mr. Olvany, is a native of Ireland. Born in County Fermanagh, he was brought at six years of age to New York by his father Michael, a cattle dealer, and he was a messenger boy and a telegraph operator before he turned to civic politics. Though leader of a "wet" organization, he is virtually "dry."

With his appointment the rift is widened between Mr. Smith and Mayor Walker, whose re-nomination Mr. Curry warmly supported. And, of course, the new choice is a blow to Mr. Smith.

PENKNIFE SURGERY

DOTOR'S THROAT INCISION TO
SAVE COLLEAGUE

Professor Rudolf Balint, a famous Hungarian surgeon, who had long been suffering from inflammation of the thyroid gland, was seen to be gasping for breath while sitting in his study recently.

He became unconscious, and Dr. Pollack, a medical friend who was present, saw that a tumour had formed in the larynx and was interfering with respiration.

Having no instruments at hand, Dr. Pollack took out his penknife and made a wide incision in the region of the larynx.

The relief was instantaneous, but fearing further complications owing to the excessive flow of blood into the respiratory tract, Dr. Pollack improvised a drain pipe from the rubber tube of his stethoscope. The patient was removed to a nursing home, where the operation was successfully completed.

Wembley Urban District Council are negotiating with the Wembley Stadium Company for the use of a portion of the lake in the Wembley Exhibition grounds as a swimming bath.

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Sport Columns

LAWN TENNIS

HUNGARY DEFEATS HOLLAND IN DAVIS CUP

BRITONS FOR BUDAPEST

Budapest, Yesterday. In the Davis Cup contest Hungary defeated Holland by three matches to two.

The British team are now on their way to Budapest to meet Hungary in the semi-final of the European zone.

CRAIGENGOWER DEFEATED BY CHINESE

"A" DIVISION MATCH

Chinese Recreation Club defeated Craigenower Cricket Club in "A" division of the Hong Kong Lawn Tennis League yesterday by eight sets to one. Scores:—

Ng Sze-kwong and C. Chua (C.R.C.) beat A. Hachiuma and D. Ruzack 6-2

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WHAT TO WEAR AT COURT OCCUPIES HER THOUGHTS

Helen Willis, the girl who wins international titles and retains them, without so much as the batting of an eye, finds it in her make-up to behave like any other excited little American girl at the news that her date has been set to be presented at the Court of St. James.

Helen even admitted that her prospective presentation at the British Court is occupying her time and thought almost to the exclusion of her determination to gain more tennis laurels in her scheduled competition in Europe.

Of course, Helen knew her name had been proposed for presentation, but she was a little nervous about the date because she was apprehen-



Helen Willis

sive that it might come during the Wimbledon tournament, and, in that case, her mind would be on Court rather than on (tennis) court.

Naturally Helen wants to look her best and she's sparing no expense toward this end. In fact she engaged an internationally famous couturier in Paris to create a gown fit for the event and she won't feel comfortable until the final fitting, when she knows her dress will be just as she wants it.

There was a little matter which for a time threatened to interfere with the tennis star's plans. It seems Helen was scheduled to play at The Hague for three days beginning May 9, which was "the" eventful day. But the Dutch officials were kind enough to change the date, and now Helen's sitting on top of the world.

[What Helen did wear is shown in our Picture Page to-day.]

MOTOR-CYCLING

JUNIOR TOURIST TROPHY RACE

RESULT AT DOUGLAS

Douglas, Yesterday. The Junior Tourist Trophy race for motor cycles over a distance of 264 miles, was won by P. Hicks, riding a Velocette.

His time was 3 hours 47 mins. 23 seconds.—Reuter.

JOHNNY RISK

ODD CAREER KEEPS PUBLIC GUESSING

New York, May 22. Poor Johnny Risk, the Cleveland Baker Boy, par in the respect that he gets, blamed for ruining more potential champs than any other



Johnny Risk

living heavy, but gets the dough just the same. Johnny himself isn't such hot pumpkins as a fighter and probably never will be a champ, but he just seems to delight in knocking title aspirations of others into a cocked hat.

Funny thing, too, about the Baker Boy, just when everyone figures him in a soft spot where he'll flop his opponent, don't it seem that Johnny always gets dumped?

Starting with knocking slugging Paul Berlenbach all over the joint, Johnny has been mixing up the heavy situation ever since. Jack Delaney was coming along nicely after meeting Paolino when along came Johnny. After this fight the "kaper of the North" seemed so discouraged that he lost to Heenev and Sharkey took him in one round and he has now slid into practical oblivion.

"Upset" Johnny next took a fall out of big George Godfrey just when Godfrey looked like the best bet on the list. Then just as the late Tex Rickard thought he had Jack Sharkey all ready to flatten Tunney for the title, Johnny stepped in and spoiled it all. That fight knocked the well laid plans for a row of ash-carts and Tom Heenev got the chance at Tunney instead of the "Boston Strong Boy."

Someone started to ballyhoo Risk as the best heavy in the game. What happened? Maxie Schmeling, fresh over from Germany, gave Johnny a trouncing such as no other heavy had succeeded in handing out. Some more ballyhoo all faw down. Either Maxie is good, or Johnny took him lightly, anyhow Johnny's chases went up in smoke this time. Then right after this fight, Johnny took Von Porat who had a win over Tom Heenev appended to his list.

How can you figure the boy? He'll perhaps never be champion, but just the same there's plenty of cauliflower artists who wish they never saw the Baker Boy.

HOME CRICKET

NOTTS DEFEAT MIDDLESEX EASILY

TWO GOOD BOWLERS

London, Yesterday. At Nottingham Notts, playing against Middlesex, batted first and knocked out a score of 337 runs.

Middlesex responded with 187, Baratt being mainly responsible for the low score, taking six wickets for 65 runs.

In their second bid Middlesex faced even worse, the whole side being dismissed for only 110 runs. A. Staples collared five wickets for 31 runs. Notts won by an innings and 90 runs.

Hants v. Leicestershire

Playing on their own ground at Leicester, with Hampshire as the visitors, Leicestershire went to the wicket first, but scored only 138. Doyes was in deadly form being responsible for the fall of five wickets for the low total of 23 runs.

Low scoring was likewise a feature of Hampshire's batting, the whole side being accounted for when 150 runs had been run up. Geary accounted for half a dozen of the wickets for a loss of 43 runs.

In the second venture Leicestershire faced even worse than before, the whole side being disposed of for a total of 109. Doyes was again in great form, no fewer than five wickets falling to him at the cost of 36 runs.

Left with only 95 runs to win Hampshire got the required number for the loss of only two wickets, thus winning the match by eight wickets.—Reuter.

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Lancashire	P. W. L. W. L. Res. Pts.		
Dorsetshire	9 5 1 2	—	51
Notts	7 4 1 2	—	42
Middlesex	8 4 5 2	—	42
Warwickshire	9 3 2 1 2	1	39
Gloucestershire	7 4 2 1	—	37
Kent	8 3 3 1	—	33
Surrey	8 3 3 1	—	33
Leicestershire	9 2 3 2 2	—	32
Yorkshire	5 2 2 2	1	30
Sussex	8 3 3 2	—	30
Hampshire	10 2 5	1 2	27
Northants	8 2 3	3	25
Worcestershire	8 1 4 1 1	1	20
Glamorgan	6 1 4 1	—	11
Somerset	7 1 5 1	—	11
Essex	5 1 5 1	—	6

GOLF

AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP OPENED

SOME EARLY RESULTS

London, Yesterday. At Sandwich on St. George's course, the British amateur golf championship opened in glorious weather.

The joint favorites are John Dawson (Chicago), the only front rank American competing, Cyril Tolley, and T. P. Perkins (holder).

Dawson got a walk over in the first round.

Joshua Crane (America) beat Bretherton (Hawthornthwaite), by 2 holes.

Cyril Tolley beat Patterson, 6 and 5.

Tweddell beat Rutherford (Burhill), 3 and 1.

Kyle (Selangor) beat J. Morrison (the Cornishian "soccerrite"), — 4 and 3.—Reuter.

"SVERIGE" MISHAP

NOW BEING TOWED TO ICELAND

Reykjavik, Yesterday. Capt. Ahrensberg's seaplane, the "Sverige," which was continuing its attempt to fly the Atlantic from Bergen to New York via Greenland, when it made a forced landing through engine trouble is being towed by the Icelandic inspection ship "Odinn" and is making for the Vestman Isles.

Arrives at Reykjavik

Later. The "Sverige" has arrived.—Reuter.

"CHOPPER FOR SALE"

This morning, a Chinese was found in the back yard of No. 943 Canton-road. He had a chopper hidden on his person and the door of the yard was found to have been prised open. Singularly enough the lock by which the door had been fastened the night before could not be found by the Police who arrested the suspicious man.

At the Kowloon Court this morning accused pleaded that he was peeping through the cracks of the door to see if he could find a purchaser for the chopper, when he was arrested.

Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith, remarking that it was rather an early hour (8 a.m.) for one to look for a buyer, imposed a sentence of one month's imprisonment.

JOURNEY DELAYED

DUKE OF GLOUCESTER STILL AT VANCOUVER

A FEW MORE DAYS

Vancouver, Yesterday. The Duke of Gloucester is delaying his homeward journey a few days till his collar-bone is completely healed.—Reuter.

[The Duke was to have left Vancouver yesterday for England.]

TIRED OF LIFE

CHOICE OF KITCHEN KNIFE AND THE HARBOUR

A Chinese labourer named Lee Man, living at No. 53, Haitan-street, Kowloon, committed suicide yesterday by cutting his throat with a kitchen knife. He died soon after admission to the Kowloon Hospital.

A Chinese widow named Yeung Tsat attempted suicide yesterday by jumping into the harbour from a Yaumati ferry whilst the vessel was in midstream. She was rescued by the seamen on the launch.

A young married woman named Wan Mei also sought a watery grave by jumping into the harbour from the Mong Kok ferry wharf. Boat people in the vicinity rescued her.

ILLEGAL LOTTERY

Detective Sergeant Moran, of No. 2 Police Station, yesterday carried out a raid at No. 52, Russell-street, Wanchai, and arrested a Chinese for running a po pu lottery, and a small boy for aiding him.

It was stated that a cunningly constructed cupboard in the place baffled the searchers for some time, but eventually a secret recess was found in which the tickets were found.

The boy was engaged in cutting small slips of paper when the Police arrived. These were supposed to be announcements of the result of the drawing of the lottery.

The man was fined \$50 or one month, whilst the boy was ordered to receive six strokes.

TRICK CYCLISTS

Divisional Inspector R. A. Marks prosecuted in a case heard at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, against a Chinese who was charged with riding a bicycle without a light in Gascoigne-road late at night.

Inspector Marks said that bicycles in Yaumati were increasing in large numbers particularly near the Po Hing Theatre, as late as 12 o'clock at night. They were nothing short of tricksters.

As accused had been in the cells all night, and as he did not appear to be a trick-cyclist, His Worship cautioned him against a recurrence of the offence.

TRAFFIC OFFENDERS

A learner driver was this morning charged before Mr. E. W. Hamilton, at the Central Magistracy, with driving in Deep Water Bay, a locality which was not specified in the licence issued. It was mentioned that the licensed driver of the car had gone to Canton since the summons was taken out. Defendant was fined \$15.

The Chinese driver of a public motor car was summoned for negligent driving in Stubbs-road. He passed a P.W.D. lorry at a bend and almost collided with it. Fined \$15.

For parking his car in the lane between China-building and the Queens Theatre, the driver of a private motor car was fined \$5. Mr. Hamilton remarking that there was a large notice there stating that parking was not allowed in that lane.

HABITUAL THIEF

A Chinese, said to be unemployed, appeared this morning before Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith, the Kowloon Magistrate, on a charge of possession of a number of iron rails suspected to have been stolen.

Accused a few years ago served a term of imprisonment for the theft of wood, and a year later, had served another term for the theft of a quantity of cement.

Sentence of two months' imprisonment was passed.

All the candles at the altars and shrines in St. Agatha's Roman Catholic Church, Kingston-on-Thames, were lit by men who had tried to open the collection boxes.

WATER SUPPLY

Level and Storage of water in Reservoirs on June 1, 1929:—

CITY AND HILL DISTRICT WATER WORKS.

	1928	1929
Tyatam	Level 30' 5" B	Level 30' 5" B
Tyatam Byewash	Level 27' 6" B	Level 27' 6" B
Tyatam Intermediate	Level 59' 8" B	Level 59' 8" B
Tyatam Tuk	Level 19' 7" B	Level 19' 7" B
Wong Nei Chung	Level 40' 1" B	Level 40' 1" B
Pokfulam	Level 33' 8" B	Level 33' 8" B
[Note: B denotes "Below Overflow"; L denotes "Level with Overflow"; S denotes "Storage in millions and Decimals of gallons."]		
	1928	1929
Tyatam	384.80	176.80
Tyatam Byewash	22.37	.11
Tyatam Intermediate	195.90	10.02
Tyatam Tuk	1,171.15	43.42
Wong Nei Chung	30.34	.68
Pokfulam	68.00	4.42
Total	1,870.56	235.45

Consumption of water in the City and Hill District in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of May.

	1928	1929
Consumption	233.30	139.21
Estimated population	422,240	432,560
Consumption per head per day	17.8	10.4

* Includes 2.19 m.g. from Tsikoo Refinery Dam & 8.24 m.g. from Kowloon.

Intermittent Supply in all Ruder Main Districts during May 1929. In 1929, Principal Main Supply shut off from 6 p.m.—4 a.m. May 1—27 inclusive. From May 28—31 inclusive the hours of supply from the Principal Mains were 6—10 a.m. & 3—6 p.m.

KOWLOON WATER WORKS LEVEL.

	1928	1929
Kowloon Reservoir	10' 1" B	43' 1" B
Shek Lai Pui Reservoir	2' 6" B	33' 3" B
Reception Reservoir	Level 4' 5" B	Level 4' 5" B
Storage in millions and Decimals of gallons.		
	1928	1929
Kowloon Reservoir	351.33	49.00
Shek Lai Pui Reservoir	106.02	18.45
Reception Reservoir	33.15	22.00
Total	490.50	89.45

Consumption of water in Kowloon in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of May.

	1928	1929
Consumption	107.15	94.79
Estimated population	165,230	170,320
Consumption per head per day	20.9	18.0

* Does not include water sent to Hong Kong.

Full Supply in all districts during May 1929. During the whole month of May, 1929, the supply was shut off nightly from 8 p.m.—5 a.m.

The Government Analyst's reports show that the quality of the water is satisfactory.

Total rainfall to May 31, 1929, 33.16; May 31, 1928, 10.18.

WEALTHY WIDOW

LARGE SUM LEFT TO CHARITIES

Large sums pass to charitable objects under the will of Mrs. Eleanor Barrett Palmer, of Marlston House, Newbury, widow of the Rt. Hon. G. H. Palmer.

Mrs. Palmer's estate has been sworn at \$105,265 gross, with net personality \$98,451. She bequeathed legacies to a number of servants, and among other beneficiaries left:

\$1,000 each to Bedford College for Women, Regent's Park; the Oxford Diocesan Board, and the Central Church Fund.

\$500 each to Helena Nursing Home, Reading; Hospital for Incurables, Putney; the Church Army, the Home for Friendless Girls, Kennington; the Society for the Rescue of Young Women and Children, the Berkshire Association for the Protection of Young Girls, Oxford Diocesan Council for Prevention and Rescue Work, Royal Berkshire Hospital, University College, Reading; Clergy Pension Institute; the Ann Hinton Clerical Society, Bristol; and the Children's Cottage Hospital, Cold Ash, Newbury.

Mrs. Palmer gave instructions that she should be buried in Marlston Churchyard in the same grave as her husband, and that his ring and the small diamond horseshoe brooch, "both of which I always wear," should be buried with her.

NOT FOR CINDERELLA!

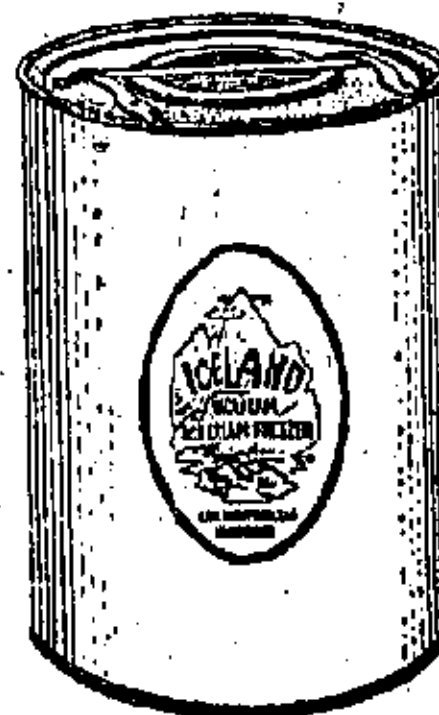
When a Chinese was charged before Mr. E. W. Hamilton, at the Central Magistracy this morning, with the unlawful possession of two pairs of shoes, he said that he had picked them up on board the s.s. "Tung On."

His Worship remarked that if the Press (including the "China Mail") would mention the case, the Police would probably have half the town going to them to claim the shoes. We do like to oblige!

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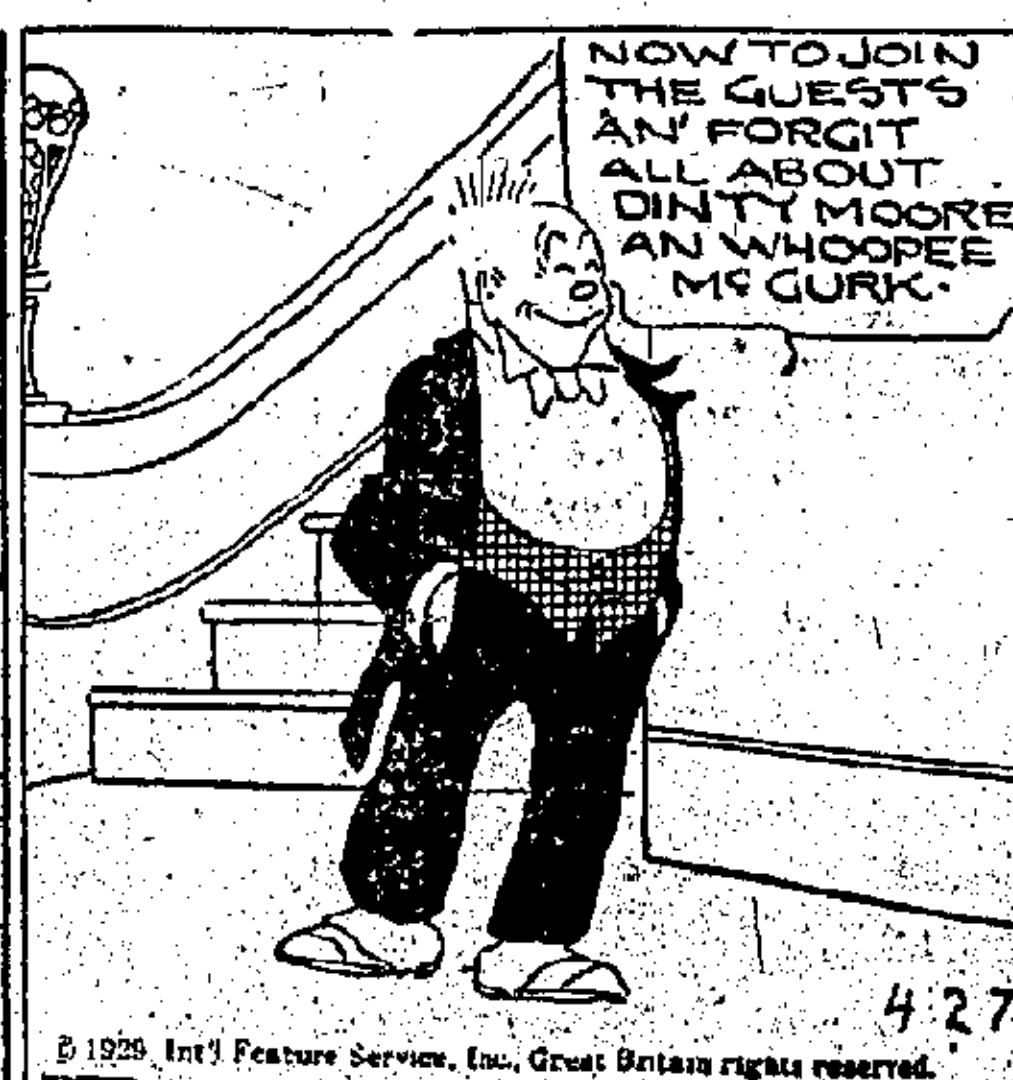
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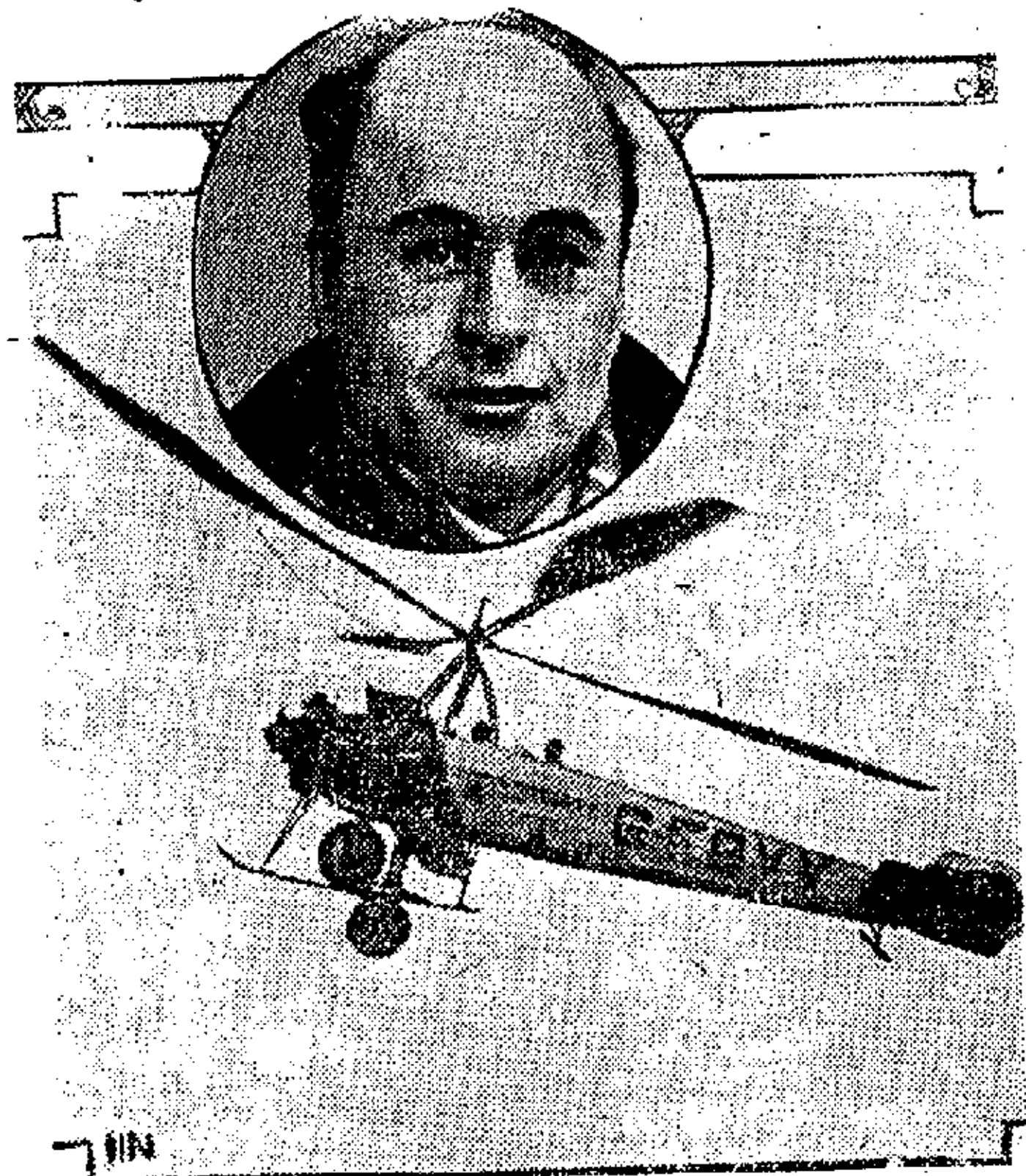
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Romantic Connie



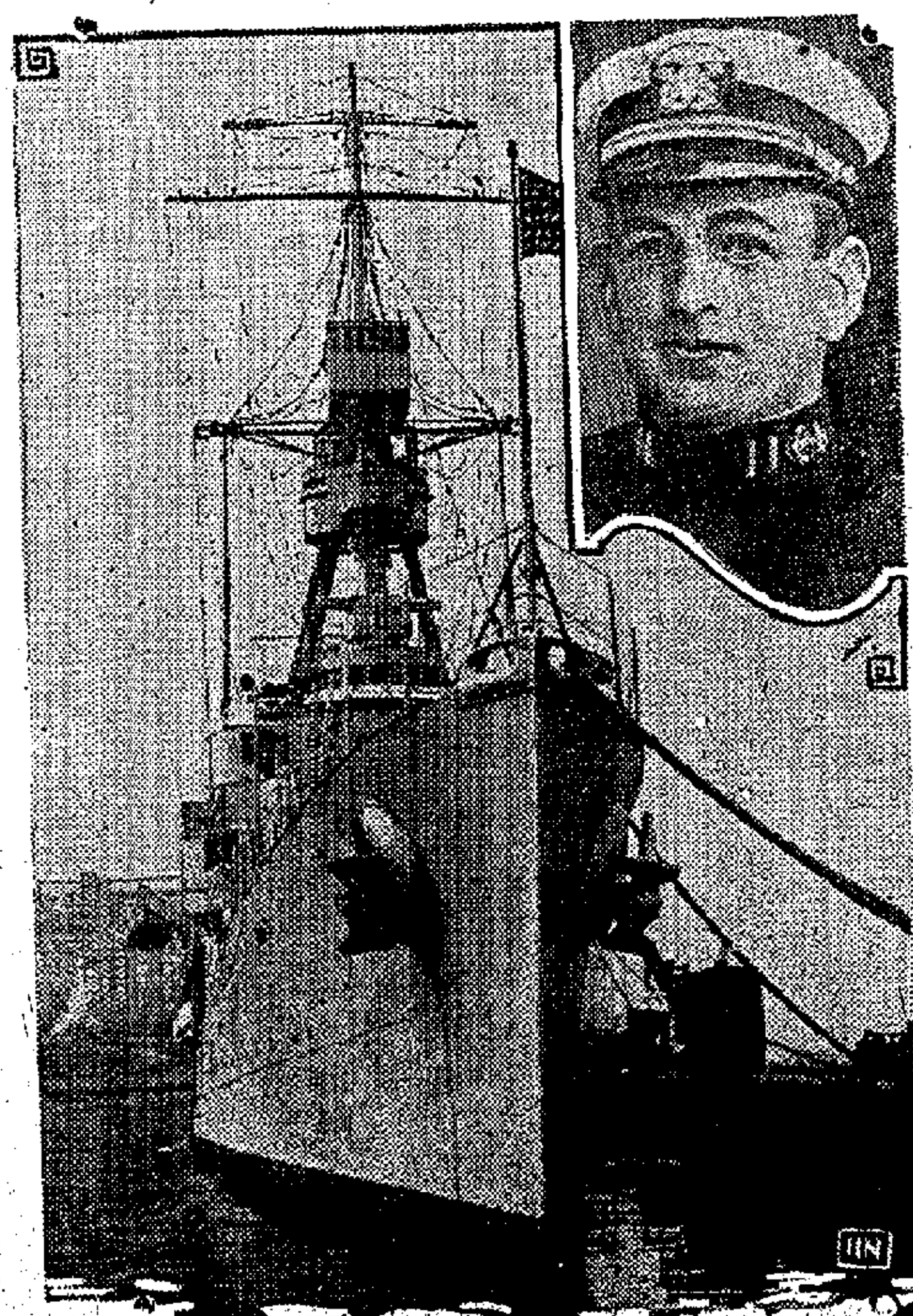
Buster Keaton's home at Los Angeles, was the scene of a very pretty wedding when Constance Talmadge, screen star, sister of Mrs. Keaton, wed Townsend Netcher, a wealthy Chicago merchant. Mrs. Keaton, formerly Natalie Talmadge, popular movie actress, and the well-known Norma Talmadge, acted as maids of honour. This is Netcher's second marital venture and Connie's third.

Gyro in First Successful Trial



Strange to the eye yet claimed to be the most reliable of all such craft in the world, M. Masot, French pilot (inset), flew this autogyro of La Cieur at Orly, France, in its successful trials. Government and aviation officials who watched the tests were very much pleased.

This U.S. Cruiser Fooled 'Em



H. Osterhaus (inset) was in command of the U.S. Cruiser "Richmond" above when it was invaded and searched by coast guardsmen, upon information received in an anonymous letter that the craft was as wet inside as she was outside. The information, however, proved false, as the search revealed nothing remotely resembling the illegal stuff.

German flier



You rather wonder how any plane could carry all this title around, yet Baron Friedrich Karl Freiherr Von und Zu Warthausen, of Germany, lugs it around with him. The Crown Prince of Siam gave him the Siamese kitten as a mascot at Bangkok, where the flier stopped on his Oriental flight.

New Aviation Chief



Col. Thomas Tarnier, who has been selected to succeed Major Brainard as Chief of Aviation of the United States Marine Corps, the Major having tendered his resignation to become Vice-President of the Curtiss Flying Service.

Tennis Star Presented at Court



Above is a radio picture of Helen Wills, tennis queen, as she appeared at her presentation at the British Court, in the beautiful gown made especially for her by one of the best designers in Paris. Helen, herself an international figure and therefore an honoured guest at Court, made a striking appearance, being received by the dignified Queen Mary, to whom she was presented by Mr. Ray Atherton, Charge d'Affaires of the American Embassy.

Son Opposes Dad



Left, Stanley Baldwin, late Prime Minister, and his son, Oliver Baldwin (right), who won a seat for labour in the General Election.

Swedish Fliers Plan Flight



Miss G. Jacobsen (left), young Norwegian woman, may accompany Capt. Albin Ahrensberg (right), noted Swedish plane pilot, on his proposed flight from Sweden to the United States by way of the old Viking trail, using a Junkers machine similar to the one used by the German trans-Atlantic fliers. Lieut. A. J. G. Floder (inset) is to be a member of the crew.

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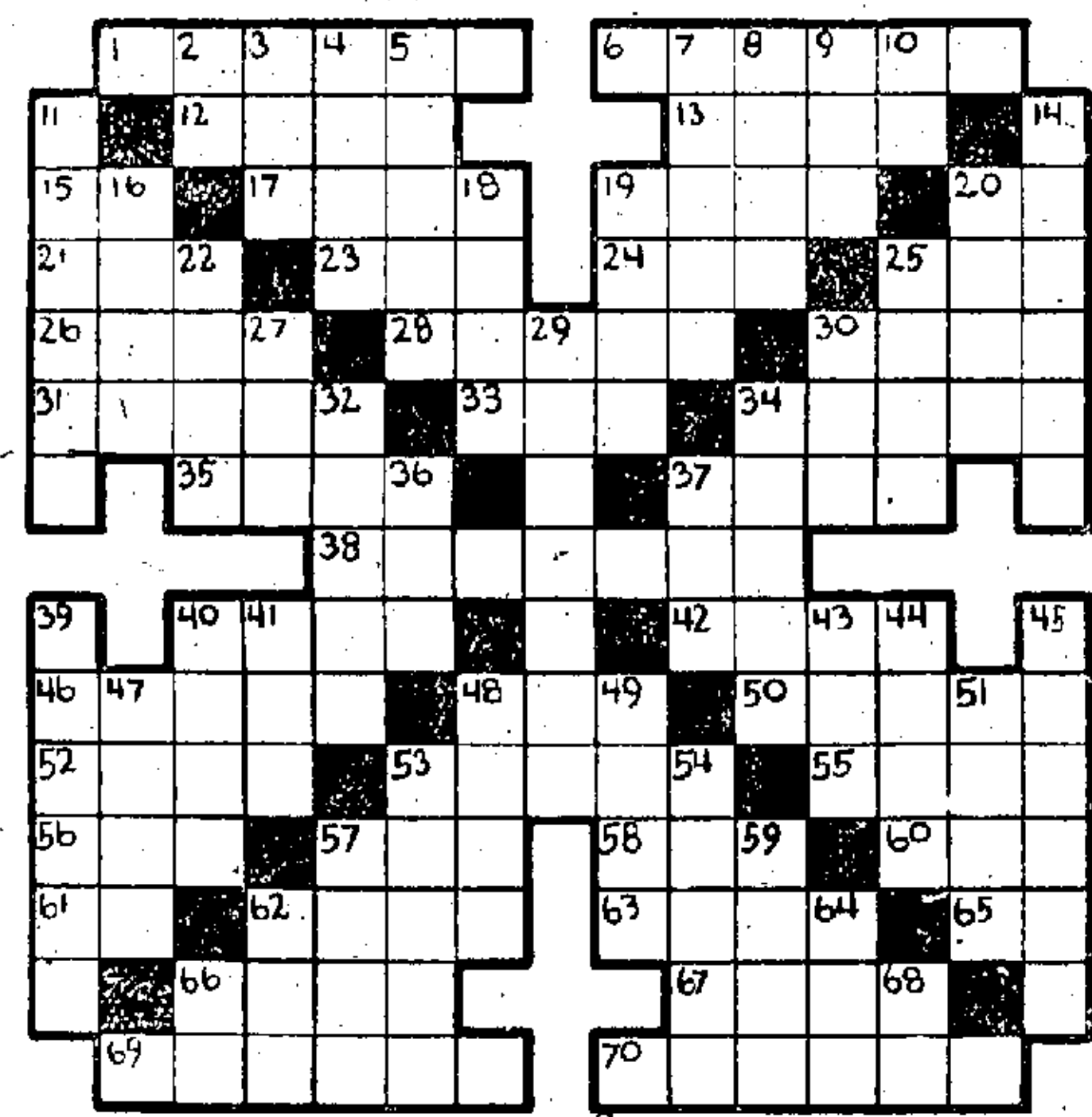
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, glow, and altho.)



HORIZONTAL

- 1—Gathers after a reaper
- 6—An official or public writer
- 12—Ancient word signifying "father"
- 13—A fine whetstone for razors
- 15—Pronoun
- 17—Short for "Elizabeth"
- 19—To hide
- 20—In that manner
- 21—To acquire
- 22—Transport by man and horse (India)
- 24—Greek goddess of the dawn
- 25—Metallic vessel
- 26—A rodent
- 28—Elevates
- 30—To cripple
- 31—Proof
- 32—American poet and story writer
- 34—To provide food
- 35—To incite, as to activity
- 37—The late general of the Allied armies
- 38—To haggle
- 40—A babe
- 42—River of E. Africa
- 43—A tale
- 48—Prefix denoting before
- 50—Unit of weight for precious stones
- 52—Mentally sound

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 63—The lobby of a theatre
- 65—Amass
- 66—Anger
- 67—A thick preserve
- 68—The border of something curving
- 69—Peruss
- 70—To pass from point to point
- 62—Cavern
- 63—A river of N. W. Belgium
- 65—Westman Chapel (abbr.)
- 66—Man (Latin)
- 67—Large lake
- 68—Melancholy
- 70—To multiply by three

VERTICAL

- 2—Musical note
- 3—Decline
- 4—To bed
- 5—Pertaining to the nose
- 7—Utter disorder
- 8—A British Arctic and antarctic navigator
- 9—Writing fluid
- 10—To exist
- 11—Just claims
- 14—Those who have a legal right to vote
- 15—To lacerate
- 18—Move with leaps and bounds

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 19—To allot
- 20—More or less
- 22—To make a false step
- 25—A beaten way
- 27—The fruiting spike of any cereal
- 29—Act of producing falsely
- 30—A resinous substance
- 32—Waiting-room
- 34—Resembling a geometrical cone
- 35—Time period
- 37—Part of a fish
- 39—To appoint
- 40—Denote part of body
- 41—Metric land measure
- 43—Lick up
- 44—A Norse navigator
- 45—A disagreeable odor
- 47—An edible root stock of the tropics
- 48—The characteristic fruit of the apple family
- 49—Weird
- 51—Below (Naut.)
- 53—Kind regard
- 54—The upright piece of a step, from tread to tread
- 57—A doorway
- 59—Nothing but
- 62—Prefix. With
- 63—Part of body
- 65—A cry of surprise
- 66—The (Spanish)

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

NUDE FLUTE PLAYER

HUSBAND'S PLEA FOR COURT ACTION

MADAME'S ECCENTRICITIES

How Mme. Duminy, the American wife of a Parisian, used to promenade in the block of flats in which she lived, completely nude, playing a flute, has been disclosed in the proceedings by her husband for the appointment of a legal guardian over herself and her property.

Josephine Baker, the well-known artist, one of the occupants of the flats, was one of those "scandalised" by Mme. Duminy's eccentricities.

Her husband, according to the "Central News," told the court that once his wife stopped her car in front of a statue of Joan of Arc for the purpose of hurling insults at the French saint.

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION



Another time she was seized with the idea of supplying the Prussian Guards with monocles, and bought as many as she thought enough for this purpose.

According to M. Duminy, she has now declared her intention of dissipating her entire fortune of about \$7,000 a year.

RADIO TOPICS

THE "W.T.3"

WINDING YOUR OWN COILS

A number of radio enthusiasts are asking for particulars of the windings of the special coils used in the "W.T.3." Four formers will be required, the two inside formers being 2 inches in diameter and about 2 1/4 inches long, and the outer former 2 1/4 inches in diameter and the same length. Paxolin, ebonite, or dry cardboard will be satisfactory.

The Aerial Coil

Pierce two small holes at a distance of about 1/2 an inch from the top and after threading the end of the wire, wind on 75 turns of 36 D.S.C. wire in an anti-clockwise direction. The end of the winding is fixed in a similar way, and several inches should be left over at each end for connecting purposes. The inner former is then wound with 135 turns of 40 D.S.C. wire in an opposite direction to that of the outer former, the beginning and end of the winding being fixed on the coil in a similar manner to the outside coil. Three holes should be drilled at one end of the formers for the reception of six B.A. bolts and nuts, so that the formers can be rigidly fixed. The start of the outer winding should be connected to the start of the inner winding, and this connection goes to one side of the D.P.D.T. switch. The finish of the outer winding goes to the opposite side of the switch, and from thence to the earth connection. The finish of the inner winding goes to the moving arm of the switch opposite the last connection, and the other arm of the switch goes to the grid of the H.F. valve. The end of this winding is also connected to one side of the switch leaving the opposite side blank. With the switch in the left-hand position it will be seen that the windings are in parallel and in opposition, so this position gives an astatic coil suitable for the broadcast band. By moving the switch to the right the windings are placed in series and are suitable for the long waves.

The H.F. Transformer

The H.F. transformer is a little more complicated. The inner and outer main windings are similar to the aerial coil, but in addition there are the primary and neutralising windings as well as the reaction winding. First of all wind the inner former as before, then wind the outer former in an opposite direction, fixing the beginning and end of each coil. A layer of Empire tape is then placed on the lower end of the outer winding of 75 turns, i.e., the end taken to earth. Twenty turns of 36 D.S.C. wire are wound in the same direction (as the outer winding) over the tape, the beginning and end being secured by a touch of Chatterton's Compound or similar adhesive. The beginning of the winding goes to the anode of the H.F. valve (number 5 terminal). Another layer of Empire tape is placed over the first primary winding, and the neutralising winding, consisting of a further 20 turns of 36 wire, is wound in the same direction. The beginning of the latter winding is connected to the finish of the primary winding, and goes to the high-tension terminal (number 4). The end of the neutralising winding goes to one side of the neutralising condenser (number 3 terminal). We still require a reaction winding, and this is placed 1/2 inch below the outer secondary winding, and

TO-DAY'S RADIO

BROADCAST BY Z. B. W.

ON 350 METRES

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Government Broadcast Station Z.B.W. on 350 metres.

5.30-6.30 p.m. — Programme of Chinese music.

7.48 p.m. — Evening weather report.

8 p.m. — Evening programme (Victor records supplied through the courtesy of Messrs. S. Moutrie & Co., Ltd.).

10.30 p.m. — Close down.

Zeppelin to Broadcast



Frank E. Nicholson, radio announcer, who will be a passenger on the "Graf Zeppelin" during its flight from Germany to the United States (if it ever comes off), will broadcast from the Zeppelin at 11.30 each night.

consists of 50 turns of 36 D.S.C. wire wound in the same direction. The beginning of this winding is connected to the end of the secondary winding going to the earth (number 2 terminal). The end of the reaction winding goes to the moving plates of the reaction condenser (number 6 terminal). Care must be taken to arrange the windings, and unless this is carefully done difficulty will be experienced in obtaining the necessary reaction effect on both wave bands.

The same primary and neutralising windings are suitable for both the broadcast and longwave bands. The switch can be an ordinary double-throw, double-throw type, of which many varieties are available.

Readers can use their own method of bringing the windings to the terminals on an ebonite base as used in the manufactured coil, or they can take them direct to the various connections on the set, providing they use a small bracket or other means to fix the coil on the base-board.

Coil for the "W.T.3"

It is pointed out that in the coils he has purchased the position of the 1 and 2 terminals is reversed. The coils were of an early pattern, and the latest coils are now being turned out with the position of the number 1 and 2 terminals reversed. Readers who are building up the "W.T.3" should be careful to take the appropriate connections to the numbers, and not to the position of the terminals. If the number 1 terminal is in the centre position the lead to the fixed plates of the variable condenser and to the .0003 grid condenser will of course go to this point.

(Continued at foot of Next Column.)

LORD ROSEBERY

A STATESMAN, NOT A PARTY LEADER

PRESS TRIBUTES

London, May 21.

The principal members of Lord Rosebery's family were present at the end, which came peacefully to an end after a long period of unconsciousness.

The only notable absentee was a 14-years-old grand-daughter and favourite, Miss Ruth Primrose, who was Lord Rosebery's constant companion for many years, but was unable to arrive in time from Derby, where she was at school.

The evening papers review Lord Rosebery's career sympathetically but candidly.

The "Liberal Star" says that his Premiership was brief and inglorious and this most brilliant of stars suffered thenceforth an eclipse from which he never recovered.

The "Evening News" says the fact is that Lord Rosebery was a statesman, not a party leader.

In the course of his tribute, Mr. Lloyd George recalls that Lord Rosebery prophetically remarked in 1905, amidst the general satisfac-

tion in regard to the Brito-French Entente: "This will lead straight to war."

Mr. John Burns, one of Lord Rosebery's oldest friends, says that posterity will remember him as a statesman, a diplomat and the admirable first Chairman of the London County Council.

AIRMAN HURT

BRITISH SCHNEIDER CUP TEAM COMMANDER

London, May 22.

While adjusting his motor car, Flight Lieut. Darcy Greig, Commander of the British Schneider Cup team, seriously injured his eye on the end of the exhaust pipe. He will be definitely unable to fly for a long time.

SIR H. SEGRAVE

COMPETING IN GERMAN MOTOR-BOAT RACES

Berlin, May 29.

Sir Henry Segrave has arrived with his motor-boat Miss England to take part in the races on Templin Lake.—Trans-Ocean.

RADIO AND WIRES

A COMMENT "WAR FOR LIFE"

New York, May 12.

The "Evening Post" said recently that under cover there is going on in the communications business the greatest battle of all time. Radio and the wires are locked in a life and death struggle for supremacy.

"The Post" based its story in part on a meeting called by the United States Independent Telephone Association, which represents about 8,000 independent companies, or about 25 per cent. of the country's telephone system, which had for its main purpose a discussion with Bell Telephone officials on the question of patents. Bell Telephone Laboratories, Inc., does the research work for American Telephone and Telegraph Company.

The independent telephone men, however, were also anxious to learn what to expect in competition from the recently formed RCA Communications Inc., a subsidiary of the Radio Corporation of America, which has announced a merger plan with the International Telephone and Telegraph Company if the law permits.

Most observers say, the "Post" added, there can be only one end to the struggle, and that is "a marriage of radio and the wired system." Such a union has already taken place in England and will soon occur in Italy and France, although in the United States the laws stand against such a union.

The present situation, the newspaper said, was precipitated by the aggressive attempts of the radio Corporation, headed by General James Harbord, to shake itself free of its competitors and establish its own land system—the RCA Communications, Inc., a merger of RCA Communications with International Telephone and Telegraph Corporation, would indirectly affect Postal Telegraph and Cable Company, which is controlled by I. L. and T. and which is the chief rival of the Western Union Telegraph Company.—"Associated Press."

B.B.C. ORCHESTRA

INCOME FOR 1928 EXCEEDS £1,000,000

The income of the British Broadcasting Corporation for 1928 has exceeded £1,000,000, of which £880,000 has been expended.

The annual report says that the new headquarters at Portland Place contain double the accommodation at present available for performance and rehearsal.

It declares that the negotiations with Sir Thomas Beecham for the formation and joint control of a large and permanent orchestra are progressing satisfactorily.

RADIO MERGER DENIED

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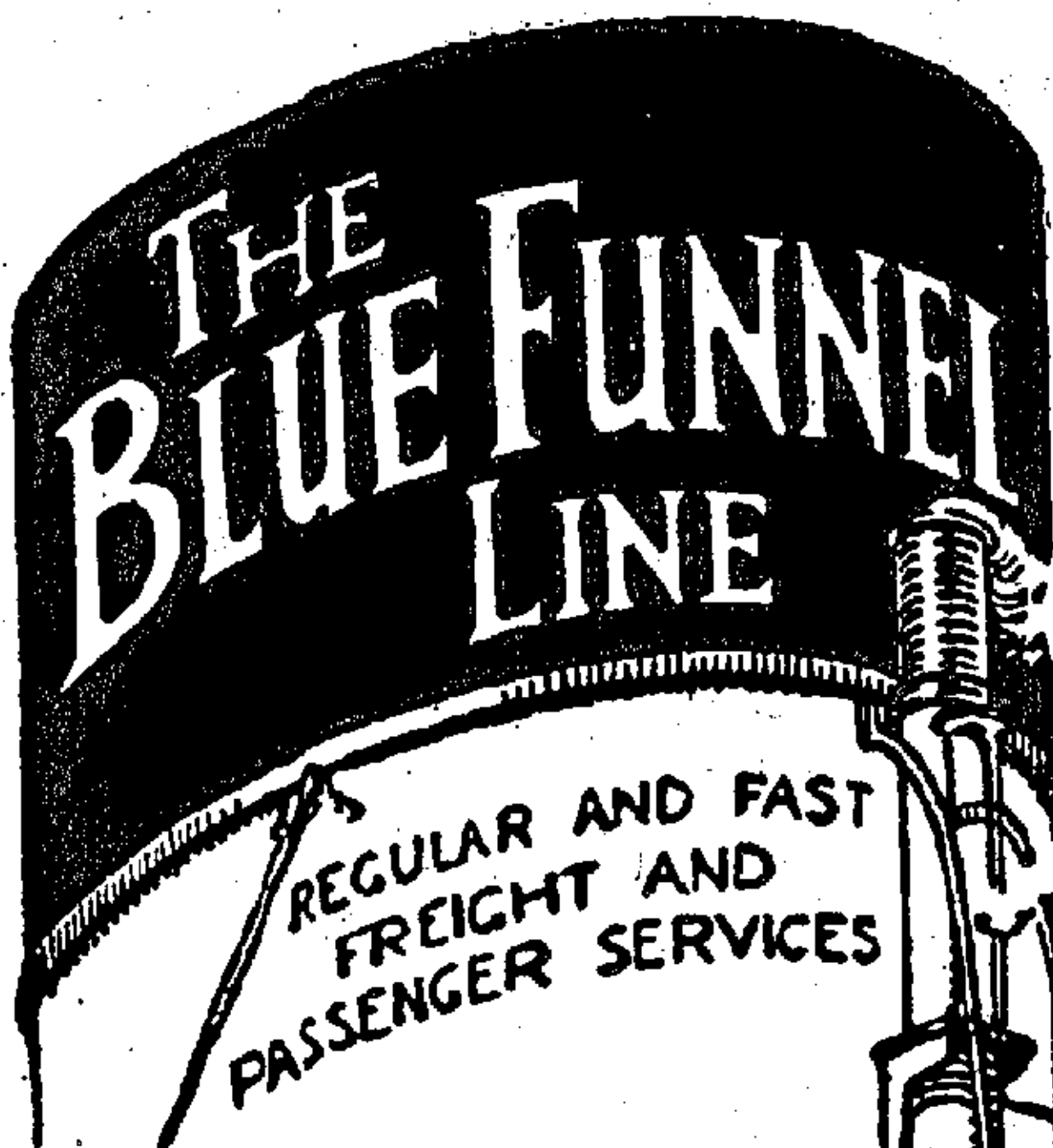
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INWARD MAILS.

From	Per
TUESDAY, JUNE 11.	
Straits	Van Heutsz
Amoy	Talma
Shanghai	Aeneas
Straits	Tiltington Court
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 12.	
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia (London, 20th and 21st May)	Chekiang
Shanghai and Swatow	Suiyang
THURSDAY, JUNE 13.	
Japan, Shanghai & Europe via Siberia (London, 22nd—24th May)	Yokohama Maru
FRIDAY, JUNE 14.	
Europe via Negapatam (Letters only, London, 16th May)	Lahn
Japan and Shanghai	Atsuta Maru
SATURDAY, JUNE 15.	
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	President Adams
MONDAY, JUNE 17.	
Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai	Empress of Russia
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	President Madison

OUTWARD MAILS.

Per	TUESDAY, JUNE 11.
Sam Shui and Wuchow	Amhurst 4 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles	Aeneas (Due Marseilles, 12th July.) K.P.O. Registration June 11, 3 p.m. Letters 4.30 p.m. G.P.O. Registration June 11, 4.15 p.m. Letters 4.30 p.m. Sunkong 5 p.m.
Fort Bayard	Tenyo Maru (Due San Francisco, 5th July and Europe via Siberia.) Registration June 11, 5 p.m. Letters June 12, 8.30 a.m.
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 12.	
Hoihow	Kingyuan 8.30 p.m.
Manila	Eclipse 10.30 a.m.
Swatow and Amoy	Van Heutsz 11.30 a.m.
Straits & Calcutta	Talma Parcels June 12, noon Letters 1 p.m.
THURSDAY, JUNE 13.	
Swatow	Hydrangea 2.30 p.m.
Foochow	Kueichow 3.30 p.m.
FRIDAY, JUNE 14.	
Hoihow, Pakhoi and Hsihphong	Ichang 8.30 a.m.
Manila and Parcels for Germany via Hamburg	Saterland 10.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hai Ching 1 p.m.

*Correspondence bearing vessel's name only.

\$4,000 INVOLVED

CHARGE AGAINST CHINESE HOTEL MANAGER

ALLEGED FALSE PRETENCES

At the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon, Wong Ho-chuen, described as the manager of the Empress Hotel, was charged with having obtained the return of a promissory note for \$4,000, said to have been signed by him, by false pretences.

It was alleged by the prosecution, conducted by Mr. D. L. Strellett, that the note was signed by the defendant in favour of a man named Li Yik-ye, and the money was to have been repaid in December, 1928, but after collecting the first instalment, Li had considerable difficulty in securing further payments. Later Li went to Canton and entrusted the note to a personal friend with authority to receive any instalments, which the accused might pay. On May 16, it was alleged, Li's friend received \$400 from accused, and on the pretext that he required the note for endorsement, accused secured possession of it. He took it out of the room and later returned without it. Finally he disappeared, the Police were informed, and eventually accused was arrested on a warrant.

The case was adjourned until Friday afternoon.

Mr. M. K. Lo is for the defence.

WATER POACHERS

TAPPING FIRE HYDRANTS FOR SUPPLY

CASES IN COURT

In these days of water shortage, the populace is resorting to every means and ways of getting a supply sufficient for their daily use. The law is often disregarded and not a day passes where the magistrate is not called on to deal with such cases.

Yesterday several Chinese appeared before Mr. T. S. White-Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy. They were all charged with illegally tapping street fire hydrants. It was said that considerable damage was done to these hydrants and it had cost the Government no less than \$25 for repair work in each case.

All the accused were fined \$5 each.

QUEUE TROUBLES

There were also troubles among those whose unfortunate lot was to form the queue at street hydrants. An elderly woman was bound over in the sum of \$50 and to pay a fine of \$10 for assaulting another girl with a bucket.

Another case concerned a Chinese alleged to have assaulted a constable. The case was dismissed, the Magistrate holding the view that the constable did not exercise sufficient tact and discretion in coping with such situation.

When two goods trains collided at the points near Ikeston, Derbyshire, the guard of one was slightly injured.

Bedworth Roman Catholic Church (Warwickshire) has purchased an old brewery for a meeting-place.

QUEER OUTRAGE AT CURACAO

FURTHER NEWS

DUTCH WAR VESSEL OFF TO SCENE OF ACTION

HOSTAGES SENT BACK

The Hague, Yesterday. A communiqué states that the raiders at Willemstad numbered 500 and that one Sergeant-Major, a Sergeant and a Corporal (described only by their initials) were killed by the bandits who pillaged the armoury and compelled the Captain of a vessel at anchor to convey them to Venezuela.

All the hostages were sent back. The Dutch naval vessel "Kortenaar" will depart to the West Indies to-morrow with a landing force.

Query to the Government. In the First Chamber, Hier Colyn will ask the Minister of the Colonies regarding the affair at Willemstad, inter alia: "Will the Government give an assurance to take measures of a permanent nature with a view to preventing a repetition of events so humiliating to our colonial authority and international reputation?"

Government Blamed. Amsterdam, Yesterday. The destroyer "Kortenaar" has left for Curacao with 40 marines aboard.

The battleship "Hertog Hendrik," is standing by to proceed if necessary, but the Foreign Minister considers that the Willemstad incident is merely one of "irresponsibilities and putsch," and is unlikely to cause conflict between Venezuela and Holland.

The newspapers blame the Government for inadequately protecting Curacao.—Reuter.

[Curacao is a West Indian island, in the Caribbean Sea, belonging to the Dutch. It is situated to the north of Venezuela and its capital is Willemstad. It has an area of 212 square miles and a population of some 50,000.]

Earlier News.

Willemstad, Yesterday. The Governor of Curacao and the Garrison Commander have returned, unharmed, in the United States steamer "Maramba" which the invaders seized on the water front.

The raiders, who are reported to have been commanded by General Urbina, eventually left and landed on the Venezuelan coast north of Lavela.

Some Police were killed and others wounded here during an attempt to overpower them.—Reuter's American Service.

[A cable published yesterday stated: "A band of alleged Venezuelan Nationalists have, it is reported, seized the water front of the Dutch Colonial city of Willemstad. They killed several of the Police and carried off the Governor, Dr. N. J. L. Brantjes, and commander of troops, also several soldiers, and put out to sea.]

Many special constables were sworn in as members of the City of London Police Reserve by Alderman Sir Charles Wakefield and Mr. Isidore Jacobs at Guildhall.

"HOME TO MOTHER"

WHO IS THE "KIT FAT" WIFE

THE INEVITABLE TRIANGLE

Two wives, both of whom sought a declaration from him that she, and not the other, was his "kit fat" wife, was the matrimonial difficulty which faced a poultry dealer of the Sookumpoo Market, named Yeung Sam.

His domestic troubles were aired in Mr. E. W. Hamilton's Court, at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon, when one of the wives summoned him for maintenance. This wife, Pang Tsat, who was represented by Mr. A. E. Hall, said that she was 17 years of age when she married defendant in Heungshan last year. He then represented that he was unmarried, and the marriage ceremonies which were carried out on the occasion of their marriage were those usually employed when a man was taking a "kit fat."

When she came to Hong Kong, however, she found another woman in the home. This woman was not slow in impressing on the new comer that she was the "kit fat." The last straw came when the elder woman called out the other "Come here, concubine." Then complainant "went home to mother."

When Mr. Hall suggested that a set of marriage documents in the possession of his client might prove her claim to be "kit fat," Mr. E. S. C. Brooks, who appeared for the husband, said that the other lady had a similar set of documents, whereupon Mr. Hall remarked: "Then he has committed bigamy."

His Worship gave an adjournment, remarking that he would like to have some assistance from village elders, on the customs of the district from which the parties originated.

POLICE RESERVE

ORDERS FOR THE CURRENT WEEK

The following orders have been issued by Hon. Mr. T. H. King, Acting Captain Superintendent of Police:—

Chinese Company. Squad Drill. All recruits of the Chinese Company will attend at the Company's Headquarters to-day at 5.30 p.m. sharp for squad drill under L/Sergeant R43 Ts'o Chi-on. Dress—Mufli.

Signalling. The Signalling Squad will attend at the Company's Headquarters for practice in Morse and Semaphore under Cr. Sergt. R15 Ow Yeung Kien-heng to-morrow at 5.30 p.m. sharp. Any other members of the Chinese Company wishing to join this Squad are requested to send their names in to Cr. Sergt. R15.

Indian Company. Parade. All ranks of the Indian Company are reminded of the Parade to be held at Police Headquarters to-day at 5.30 p.m. sharp.

Flying Squad. The fortnightly patrol of the Kowloon Section will take place to-day. Fall in at the Tsim-tsau-tai Fire Brigade Station at 5.30 p.m. sharp. Dress—Khaki uniform.

The fortnightly patrol of the Hong Kong Section will take place on Thursday, June 20. Fall in at the Central Police Station at 5.15 p.m. sharp. Dress—Khaki Uniform.

Sharpshooters' Company. Strength. Constable R441 Ho Wing-tsan is permitted to resign under the conditions of Section 19 of the Hong Kong Police Reserve Ordinance 1927 with effect from June 1.

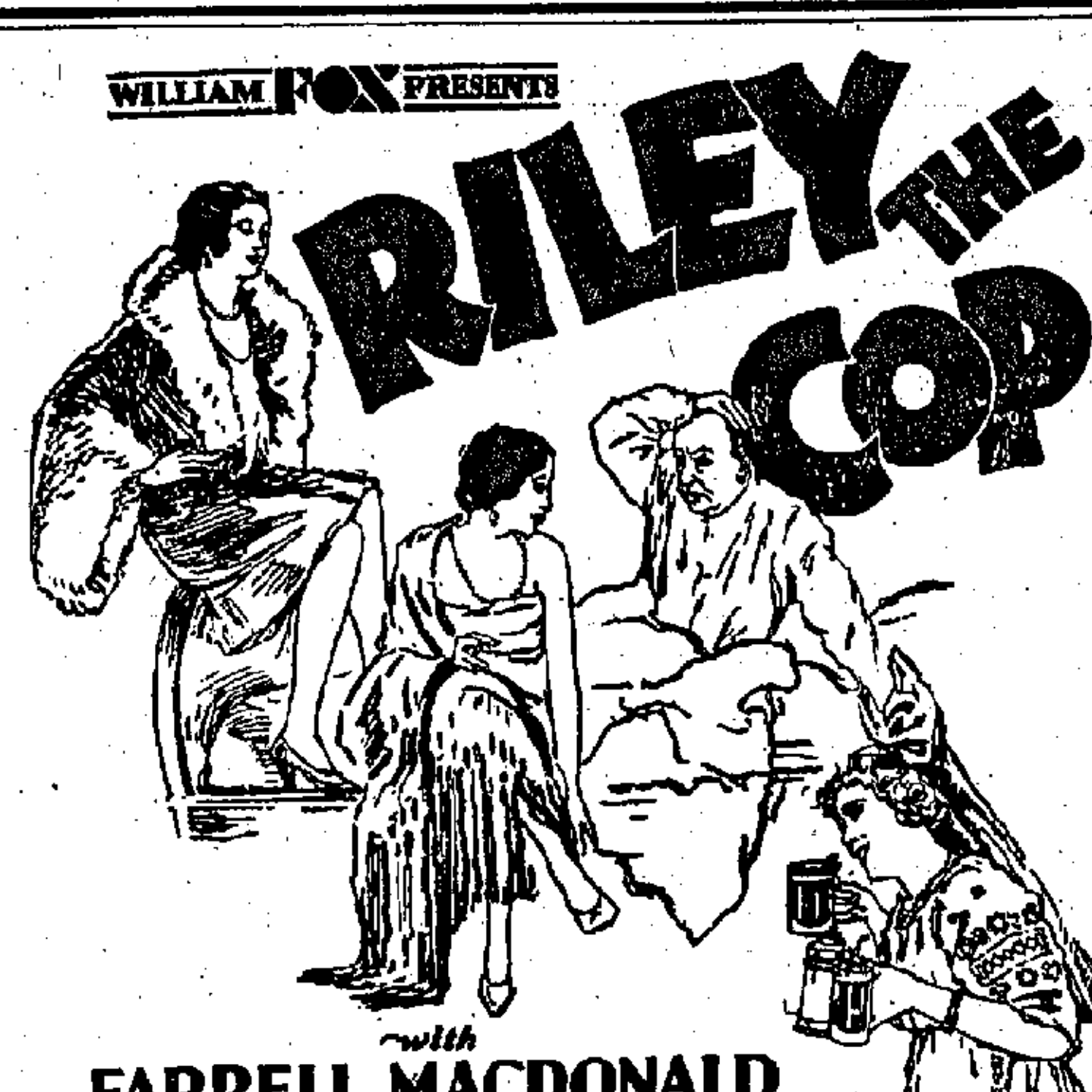
Leave. Constable R418 W. J. B. Fletcher has been granted 10 months' leave of absence from the Colony as from June 5.

Revolver Practice. The next revolver practice will take place on the Kennedy-road Range on Sunday, July 7 at 10 a.m. Belts and Holsters to be worn.

(Sgd.) W. Kent, A.S.P., Adjutant.

Two men, Peter T. Wharton (22), of Preston, and F. Holt (18), of Chorley, were scalded to death by falling into a hot-water settling tank at a rubber works at Leyland.

A robin has laid six eggs in a horse's nosebag in a stable at Cliphill, Beds.



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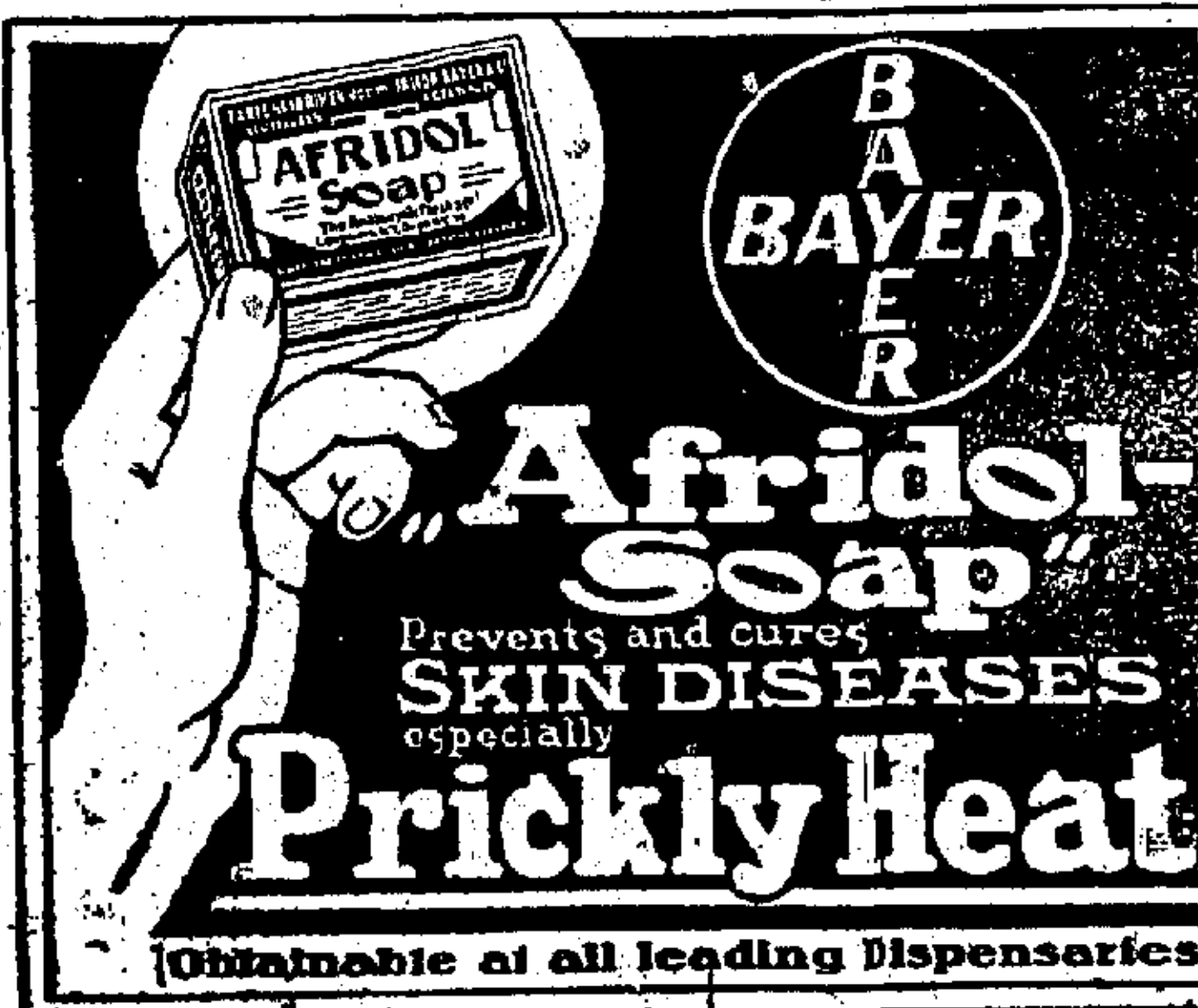
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